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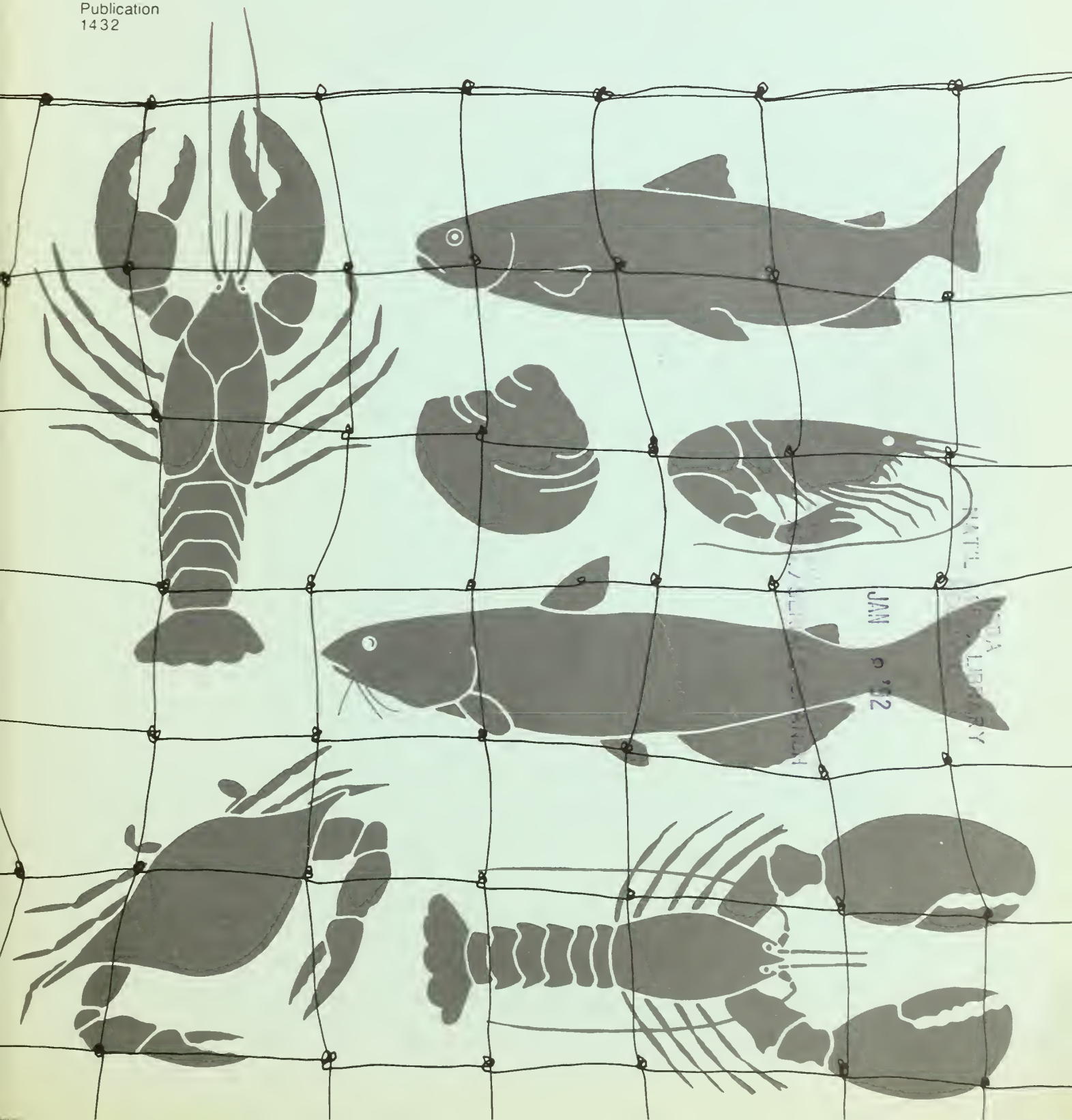
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# PREFACE

This directory of aquaculture research was prepared in support of Departmental initiatives related to implementation of the National Aquaculture Act of 1980 (P.L. 96-362) and Subtitle L of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended by the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (P.L. 97-98). Specific reference in the legislation is made to the development and implementation of aquaculture research programs and the conduct of "...research and extension to facilitate or expand promising advances in the production and marketing of aquacultural food species and products." It is the intent of this directory to bring into sharper focus current aquaculture research activities of the Department and the States and to serve as a guide to the scope and direction of these efforts.

A second objective was to demonstrate the feasibility of and to develop the means for rapid and inexpensive preparation of classified and indexed listings of research projects in camera-ready format directly from the computer file of the Current Research Information System (CRIS). Initially targeted as a part of aquaculture program objectives of the Technical Information Systems (TIS), Science and Education Administration (SEA), this first directory is the product of a cooperative effort of the Current Research Information System, Cooperative State Research Service, and the Information Systems Division, National Agricultural Library.

Included here are ongoing and recently completed projects conducted or sponsored by agencies and institutions within the USDA-State agricultural research system. Components of the system are chiefly the USDA research agencies, the State agricultural experiment stations and land-grant colleges, Tuskegee Institute, State forestry schools, and other cooperating State institutions. The source of project information was the Current Research Information System, USDA's documentation and reporting system for publicly supported agricultural and forestry research. CRIS is operated by the Cooperative State Research Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Projects listed are those contained in CRIS as of January 1982. Selection of projects was based on the presence of aquaculture as a major component of the research as determined from CRIS narrative project descriptions. Projects in related areas, such as those dealing with sedimentation and erosion, water quality, and pollution were generally not included unless aquaculture was clearly within the scope

of the objectives. Except for minor editing, information appearing on each project was taken directly from the research summary as received for entry in the CRIS system. Index terms listed in the Keyword/Title Index are the keywords assigned to the projects by CRIS staff for use in computer retrieval. They appear in the printed index as single or multiple-word terms and as originally assigned during indexing. Titles have been added to provide context. Chapter headings within the main entry section are based on internal CRIS special classifications for aquaculture research. In instances where a project was assigned more than one classification, the same project is repeated in all applicable chapters. Repeat entries are identified by an asterisk in both the main entry section and indexes. Arrangement of projects within chapters is by State, followed in order by performing institution, department, and investigator name.

Publication of this directory coincides with the compilation of (1) a directory of information resources in aquaculture, by contract with Aspen System Corporation, under direction of the National Agricultural Library, and (2) a directory of primary contacts at Federal, State, and county levels for assistance and information on programs for aquaculturists, being prepared in cooperation with Auburn University, Alabama. For information on these and other projects in support of the aquaculture effort, contact Wallace C. Olsen, Chief, Field and Special Programs Division, National Agricultural Library, Beltsville, Maryland 20705.

Camera-ready copy for this directory was compiled through use of the SAMANTHA software system. (SAMANTHA is a registered service mark of CORDATUM, Inc., Bethesda, Maryland.) CRIS project information in machine-readable form served as the sole source of input. Initially, CRIS projects were retrieved on computer magnetic tape through a search of the CRIS file on the DIALOG online retrieval system, operated by DIALOG Information Services, Inc., Palo Alto, California. From the DIALOG tape, an online working file was created at the USDA Washington Computer Center to provide capability for onling editing. The edited file was then read directly into SAMANTHA, which compiled both the main entry section and indexes in camera-ready format.

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Comments on the content, format, and usefulness of this directory as well as suggestions of other topics for similar treatment are welcome and should be sent to: Current Research Information System, National Agricultural Library Building, Beltsville, Maryland 20705.

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# RESEARCH PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

## 1. Biology and Behavior

001.001 CRIS0081713  
NEURAL CONTROL OF SWIMMING IN CRAYFISHES

MULLONEY B; AGRI ZOOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,  
DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-AZO-4013-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 24 JUN 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Describe the structure and properties of the neurons that control the movements of crustacean swimmerets, describe and interpret their synaptic organization, examine the connections and modes of action of command fibers that either drive or inhibit these neurons and analyze the connections and dynamics of the proprioceptive sensory neurons which monitor the position of each swimmeret. The significance of this analysis may be profound for our understanding of many nervous systems which drive cyclic movements of limbs.

APPROACH: We will combine intracellular recording of synaptic activity from selected neurons with careful analysis of their structure and biophysical properties and with existing information about the dynamic performance of the entire system.

001.002 CRIS0081746  
CHEMICALS THAT DIFFUSE FROM PREDATORY ASTEROIDS &  
TRIGGER DEFENSIVE BEHAVIORS IN MARINE INVERTEBRATES

PHILLIPS D W; AGRI ZOOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,  
DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-AZO-4005-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 27 JUN 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To isolate and identify the chemicals that diffuse from predatory asteroids and trigger defensive behaviors in marine invertebrates.

APPROACH: Waterborne chemicals diffusing from living predatory asteroids will be isolated from seawater by adsorption on to a column of macroreticular non-ionic exchange resin. After elution from the resin, the concentrated eluate will be tested for effectiveness in stimulating defensive behavior in molluscs and other marine invertebrates. Stimulatory chemicals will be purified and identified using standard techniques. The specificity of defensive responses will be examined by isolating waterborne chemicals diffusing from a variety of stimulatory and non-stimulatory asteroids.

PROGRESS: 80/06 TO 80/12. Steroid saponins have been proposed as the chemicals eliciting defensive behavior by the prey of seastars. Non-ionic exchange resin has been used to concentrate low levels of saponin directly from seawater surrounding living specimens of the seastars *Pycnopodia helianthoides* and *Patiria miniata*. The total amount of saponin released into the water by *Pycnopodia*, a seastar known to elicit defensive responses by many of its prey, and *Patiria*, a seastar which rarely elicits such responses, was similar. However, thin-layer chromatography revealed differences between the

steroids of the seastars. These differences may be the key to understanding the specificity of defensive responses--why responses are elicited by some species of seastar and not by others. Preliminary gel filtration experiments have been conducted on the chemical diffusing from *Pycnopodia* and eliciting defensive behavior by the sea urchin *Strongylocentrotus purpuratus*. The biologically active chemical elutes near the end of a column of Bio-Gel, P-6 (fractionation range 1000- 6000MW), suggesting an active molecule on the order of 1500 MW.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/06 TO 80/12

MOITZ, D.J. and PHILLIPS, D.W. 1979. Frey Defense, Predator Preference, and Nonrandom Diet: The Interactions Between *Pycnopodia helianthoides* and Two Species of Sea Urchins. *Marine Biology* 53:299-34.

PHILLIPS, D.W. 1980. Steroid Saponins Concentrated from Water Surrounding Living Specimens of the Seastars *Pycnopodia helianthoides* and *Patiria miniata*. *American Zoologist* 20:846.

FISHER, D.A. and PHILLIPS, D.W. 1980. Chemical Camouflaging and Behavioral Defenses Against a Predatory Seastar by Three Species of Gastropods from the Surfgrass *Phyllospadix* Community. *Biological Bulletin* 158:34-48.

001.003 CRIS0066346  
OSMOREGULATORY RESPONSES OF DESERT PUPFISH: A STUDY  
MODEL OF PHYSIOLOGICAL ADAPTATION TO ENVIRONMENT

BODA J M; ANIMAL PHYSIOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF  
CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-AFH-3225-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 SEP 74 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Investigate the physiological mechanisms of adaptation by fishes with emphasis on the maintenance of osmotic and ionic balances.

APPROACH: Two species of desert pupfish, one adapted to extreme and variable conditions of environmental temperature and salinity (*C. maculatus*), the other restricted to fresh waters (*C. radiosus*) will be employed as laboratory models. Initially, mechanistic differences in the abilities of the eggs and embryos of the two species to tolerate environmental extremes will be investigated in detail. Later, developing fry and adults will be studied.

PROGRESS: 74/10 TO 80/12. This project was terminated July 1979. The major results of this project include: Establishment of husbandry techniques and environmental requirements for the maintenance of two populations of desert pupfish (*Cyprinodon maculatus* and *C. radiosus*) in a laboratory situation for several generations. *C. maculatus* is a particularly suitable experimental animal model for the study of embryogenesis. *C. radiosus* is a difficult species to maintain in the laboratory because of low reproductive capacity. Comparisons of tolerances to environmental salinity and other environmental variables for the two species (and hybrids) have demonstrated such tolerances (or their lack) is inherent within the specific population as measured by the success and nature of embryogenesis and hatching of viable larvae. Environmental salinity, temperature, specific organic ions (especially sodium and calcium) have important influences on the rates of embryogenesis and the development of body form. There are interactions between these three environmental



variables and there are differences between the two species in their response to such factors. For example, the quantitative requirement for calcium ion is greater at high salinity, at excessively low salinity (near distilled water), at high temperature, and for *C. radiosus* for the several environmental conditions.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/10 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL PERIOD.

001.004 CEIS0078835  
PHYSIOLOGY AND ECOLOGY OF THE ASIATIC CLAM, *Corbicula*  
SP., IN THE SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA

BODA J M; ANIMAL PHYSIOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF  
CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-APH-3716 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 FEB 79 TO 30 OCT 84

OBJECTIVES: Provide detailed physiological and ecological information on the asiatic clam, *Corbicula* sp., as a basis for management or economic exploitation of the species.

APPROACH: Laboratory studies of individual changes of body composition, growth, and metabolism and field studies of population changes and productivity will be used to evaluate the ecology of *Corbicula* in the Sacramento-San Joaquin delta.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Caged populations of freshwater clams (*Corbicula manilensis*) consisting of labeled individuals of known size and estimated tissue composition (based upon tissue analysis of other individuals collected at the same time and location) have been placed in several microenvironments of the San Joaquin Delta. Samples of the caged populations, as well as clams from the same areas, are being collected periodically throughout the year for an evaluation of growth rates and changes of tissue composition (wet and dry weights, tissue calories, total nitrogen, glycogen concentration). The purpose is to establish baseline values and potentially useful procedures to allow the use of these clams as bioindicators of the quality of the Delta waters. Tissue composition of lyophilized tissues collected from resident populations during 1978 and 1979 are being analyzed to establish equations for the prediction of tissue compositions from simple field measurements.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.005 CRIS0080277  
MOLECULAR ENDOCRINOLOGY OF MOLTING AND REPRODUCTION  
IN CRUSTACEANS

CHANG E S; ANIMAL SCIENCE; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,  
DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ASC-3896-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 79 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Characterize hormone receptors in a crustacean cell line; define the interactions between molting and ovarian maturation at the molecular level; purify and characterize hormones involved in egg maturation and spawning; accurately measure the titer of the molting hormone during the course of the molt cycle in various crustacean species.

APPROACH: The establishment of a crustacean cell line would involve classical tissue explantation and dissociation methods. Once established, the cell line would be examined for molting hormone (ecdysone) receptors and cell-specific products. Hormone-receptor interactions would be examined in terms of nuclear translocation and differential gene expression. Extracts of various tissues such as the crustacean eyestalks would be tested for lipid mobilization in the hepatopancreas and for vitellogenesis in the ovary in the search for gonadotrophic hormones. Extracts of tissues of free-spawning penaeid shrimps will be examined for a spawning factor. Various crustacean species will be

assayed for molting hormone titer using an existing radio-immunoassay. Comparison of the resulting data will permit the formulation of molt-stage criteria based on hormonal titers.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The objectives of this project are to elucidate the endocrine events involved in the processes of molting and reproduction in crustacean species of aquaculture importance. By means of a specific radio immunoassay, the molting hormone (ecdysteroid) titers have been determined during the first three larval stages of the lobster, *Homarus americanus*. Cyclic changes in the hormone titers indicate that larval molting is most likely under a hormonal control that is similar to that operating in juvenile and adult animals. In addition, this larval molting hormone has been identified as 20-hydroxyecdysone by means of thin-layer chromatography. Studies are also continuing on the effects of changes of the molting hormone titer on reproduction in the female lobster. Samples of blood are being collected to see if there is a correlation between egg development, egg extrusion, and molting.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

STEVENS J. R., ARMSTRONG, P. W., CHANG, E. S. and O'CONNOR, J. D. 1979. Ecdysone Titers During the Molt Cycle of the Crayfish *Orconectes sanborni*. General and Comparative Endocrinology 39:20-25.  
CHANG, E. S. and ERUCE, M. J. 1980. Ecdysteroid Titers of Juvenile Lobsters Following Molt Induction. Journal of Experimental Zoology 214:157-160.

001.006 CRIS0080242  
PENAEIDAE GAMETES, THEIR STRUCTURE, ACTIVATION AND  
FUSION

CLARK W H; ANIMAL SCIENCE; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,  
DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ASC-3852-H Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 79 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Characterize the gametes, gamete activation and gamete fusion in selected members of Penaeidae. This work is prerequisite to the ultimate goal--the development of in vitro fertilization technique.

APPROACH: Using microscopic, histo- and cytochemical, and biochemical techniques, gametogenesis, gamete activation, and gamete fusion (fertilization) will be studied in *Sicyonia* sp. and *Penaeid* sp. These studies should define gamete stages capable of fertilization and the microenvironment necessary for fertilization. Using this information, in vitro fertilization techniques will be developed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Control of Egg Extrusion and Fertilization in Shrimp. We conducted preliminary studies on the hormonal control of spawning in the rock shrimp, *Sicyonia ingentis*. Initial experiments indicate that eyestalk extracts may mediate the breakdown of the germinal vesicle and release of the eggs from their surrounding matrix of follicle cells. Detailed studies of the fertilization process as well as the male and female gametes have been carried out over the last year in various species of shrimp. Following egg extrusion in shrimp the next critical event is the cortical reaction (jelly release) of the eggs. This cortical reaction of the eggs from both *S. ingentis* and *Penaeus aztecus* has been morphologically characterized, and we have biochemically identified the jelly component produced during these reactions. We have also made significant progress in understanding the fertilization events associated with the sperm. The acrosome of *Sicyonia ingentis* sperm has been characterized, and the acrosomal reaction has been successfully induced in vitro with the ionophore A23187. We have sequenced and characterized many of the events of fertilization in *S. ingentis*. Other studies have shown that *Macrobrachium rosenbergii*, the fresh water prawn, possesses gametes identical to marine species of *Penaeus*. This type of sperm has also been structurally characterized, and the events of fertilization in *M. rosenbergii* have been documented.

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- KLEVE, M.G. and CLARK JR., W.H. 1980. Association of Actin with Sperm Centrioles: Isolation of Centriolar Complexes and Immunofluorescent Localization of Actin. *Journal of Cell Biology* 86:87-95.
- KLEVE, M.G., YUDIN, A.I. and CLARK JR., W.H. 1980. Fine Structure of the Unistellate Sperm of the Shrimp, *Sicyonia ingentis* (Natantia). *Tissue and Cell* 12(1):29-45.
- CLARK JR., W.H., LYNN, J.W., YUDIN, A.I. and PERSYN, E.C. 1980. Morphology of the Cortical Reaction in the Eggs of *Penaeus aztecus*. *Ecology Bulletin* 158:175-186.
- YUDIN, A.I., KLEVE, M.G. and CLARK JR., W.H. 1981. Sperm of the Ridgeback Prawn, *Sicyonia ingentis* (Natantia). In: *Advances in Invertebrate Reproduction*, Editors: Clark Jr., W.H. and Adams, T.S. Elsevier/North-Holland

001.007 CRIS0080268  
SWIMBLADDER INFLATION IN LARVAE OF PHYSOCILISTOUS FISHES

DOEGSHOV S I; CLARK W H; ANIMAL SCIENCE; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ASC-3893-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine the effect of oxygen tension and water temperature on the inflation of swimbladder in larvae of physoclistous fish; study the development and fine structure of larval swimbladder; increase survival rate in culture of physoclistous fish larvae.

APPROACH: Larvae of physoclistous species widely used in aquaculture (*Tilapia*, striped bass, mullet or croaker) will be tested for: Correlation between percentage and time of the initial swimbladder inflation and oxygen tension and temperature monitored in rearing containers; histological and fine structure of swimbladder development prior to, during and after initial inflation. This should elucidate a mechanism of larval swimbladder inflation and hydrostatic regulation of critical stage of development and provide a means of monitoring normal inflation and high survival rate in larvae culture technology.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. It has been shown that initial swim bladder inflation in physoclistous larvae, if delayed, is the major cause of hatchery mortality. Water quality conditions (e.g., dissolved oxygen and turbulence) have been correlated with both cytomorphological changes in the primordial swim bladders epithelium and with embryonic and larval organogenesis. Two major mechanisms for bladder inflation have been proposed and are being examined for *Sarotherodon mossambicus* and *Morone saxatilis*. In recent experiments, we have found that water salinity is also a critical factor regulating swim bladder inflation and organogenesis in the pelagic estuarine larvae of striped bass. Larvae held for five days posthatch in brackish water (5-12 ppt) exhibit superior bladder inflation, more advanced development of the primordial swim bladder, higher efficiency of yolk sac utilization, and, in general greater survival as compared to larvae held in fresh water. This phenomenon is probably related to the specific patterns of larval osmoregulation which is under investigation at the present time.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.008 CRIS0076303  
STUDIES OF RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN MARINE AND TERRESTRIAL BACTERIA

EATMANN P; BACTERIOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-DK-HAC-3642-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 23 MAR 78 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determination of relationships between marine and terrestrial bacteria by means of comparisons of glutamine synthetases from a number of marine and terrestrial species.

APPROACH: We propose to obtain purified glutamine synthetase, inject rabbits with this preparation and study relationships by means of the quantitative micro-complement fixation method. This technique gives an estimate of the % amino acid sequence difference between the studied proteins.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. We have completed studies of the evolution of alkaline phosphatase in species of *Vibrio* and the results have been submitted for publication. The amino acid sequence divergence of this enzyme confirmed and extended our past speciation. In addition we have completed our studies on the evaluation of glutamine synthetase in species of marine and terrestrial enterobacteria. The results of these studies have allowed a definition of *Vibrio* and *Photobacterium* based on evolutionary relationships. We are currently pursuing studies of evolution of superoxide dismutase in these two genera and have purified antigens from four reference strains and obtained antisera. At the present we are measuring the amino acid sequence divergence of the SCE from species of *Vibrio* and *Photobacterium* using the quantitative microcomplement fixation technique.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.009 CRIS0075881  
ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECOLOGICAL INFLUENCES ON GENETIC VARIABILITY

FOIN T C; ECOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-3669-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 20 JUL 78 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: This project is intended to identify the ecological and environmental correlates of genetic variability in grassland and marine ecosystems. This will help us to identify the role of genetic variation in mediating population response to environmental and ecological conditions. If the results are similar, analysis of two widely different to ecosystems should produce generalizations applicable both to agricultural and natural ecosystems.

APPROACH: In both systems we shall routinely measure levels of genetic variation in enzymes using gel electrophoresis; the ecological structure of the community; and relative environmental and trophic stability. With these data we can identify what conditions are most closely associated with high genetic variability. This long-term (several years) study is principally located in the northern California coastal grassland and in the tropical Pacific. The project is currently coordinated with personnel at the University of Hawaii, the University of Washington, and the Departments of Genetics and Agronomy and Range Science at U.C. Davis.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This program currently consists of two parts. One is the direct measurement of genetic variability in a family of tropical marine gastropods. By and large, little work in research has been undertaken in this past year, although two manuscripts bearing on this work have been completed and submitted within the year. The other part of the program is the ecological assessment of a perennial grass species, *Anthoxanthum odoratum*. The program currently emphasizes the ecological aspects of increase of this species in a coastal grassland at Sea Ranch, Sonoma County, to define the limits of adaptability of a species well-known for its genetic variability. Three students are now working on this program: two abstracts and one paper have been produced in the past year. The principal result to



emerge is that Anthoxanthum is highly successful along the coast in a variety of environments. There appears to be a strong correlation between Anthoxanthum abundance and soil water availability, conditioned on the presence of other perennial species which are potential competitors.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NC PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.010 CRIS0076425  
EFFECTS OF STAMPEDE RESERVOIR ON UPSTREAM FISH  
POPULATIONS OF SAGEHEN CREEK

BERMAN D C; FCREST RESEARCH UNIT; UNIVERSITY OF  
CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA. 94720.  
Proj. No.: CA-F\*-FRU-3649-B Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 07 SEP 78 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the cause of upstream movement of suckers in Sagehen Creek following impoundment and determine if other changes in fish composition are occurring, particularly trout populations in areas formerly uninhabited by suckers.

APPROACH: Seasonally, we will sample fish by electrofishing from the reservoir upstream. Density and standing crop estimates will be compared to pre-impoundment baselines data (1952 to 1961). Suckers will be tagged to determine movement patterns. Physiological condition will be assessed to see if upstream fish are under more stress than those downstream. An underwater observation tank will be used to observe behavior of trout and suckers in case suckers have an adverse effect on trout distribution.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Tahoe sucker in Webber Lake were found in different depth and habitat zones depending on their size (age). They also fed on different benthic invertebrates depending on size. Juvenile sucker were gregarious by day in shallow water but at night fed as individuals. Adult fish lived in deep zones by day and migrated to shallow water at night to feed. Food of sucker in Webber Lake was mostly chironomid larvae, an amphipod and molluscs while in Stampede Reservoir they ate mostly chironomid larvae and pupae and some zooplankton (from the berthos). The difference in diet between systems was a function of differences in food availability. In Sagehen Creek, sucker confined to a section at the underwater observation tank fed actively only in mid afternoon. The action of their feeding cleared away fine sediment and organic matter from bottom substrates. Invertebrate drift seemed increased by their feeding although further tests are needed for verification.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

MARRIN, D.L. 1980. Food Selectivity and Habitat Utilization by Introduced Trout and Native Non-game Fishes in Subalpine Lakes. M.S. Thesis.

001.011 CRIS0067534  
THE EFFECT OF STREAM CURRENT UPON FISH BEHAVIOR,  
GROWTH AND MICROHABITAT SELECTION

LI B W; WILDLIFE & FISHERIES BIOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF  
CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-WFB-3208-B Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 18 MAR 75 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine the effect of stream current speed upon growth, habitat selection, aggressive behavior.

APPROACH: Laboratory streams were set at three speeds. Four replicates of four fish of each of the three species were tagged and placed into a stream of the appropriate current. Growth was measured, aggressive behavior recorded, and individual fish mapped.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 78/12. The work completed has four major findings: Broad distributional patterns of fishes living in streams are governed by physiological response to environmental gradients. Microhabitat selection and resource partitioning is

also affected by physiological capacities of individual species; optimal swimming speed was found to approximate twice the standard metabolic rate; habitat selection away from this optimum is explainable in terms of benefit-cost relationships; if the return in terms of reduced predation or greater forage is high enough fish will change their velocity preferences. Traditional models of behavioral regulation of body temperature are inadequate to explain habitat choice of stream fishes; fishes in Sagehen Creek experience a diel fluctuation of 15°C during the day; yet many of these fishes are highly territorial or they have very restricted and circumscribed home ranges. The interspecific aggressive interactions have been found to be more frequent in newly formed communities (i.e., experimental populations) than in those which have been observed in natural states. Thus in colonies which are being recolonized, interactions may be extremely important. Maintenance of the hierarchies both within and between populations may require less frequent displays in stable areas. Species examined in these studies are Salmo gairdneri, Oncorhynchus tshawytscha, Mylopharyngodon conocephalus, Ptychocheilus grandis, Catostomus occidentalis, C. tahoensis.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 78/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.012 CRIS0067184  
CLEAR LAKE ECOSYSTEM ANALYSIS: THE FISHES

LI B W; MOYLE P B; WILDLIFE & FISHERIES BIOLOGY;  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-WFB-3205-B Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 JAN 75 To 31 DEC 79

OBJECTIVES: Study the ecology of game and nongame fishes of Clear Lake, centering around the recently introduced Menidia and devise a fisheries management plan for the lake.

APPROACH: Determine the ecological significance of Clear Lake tributaries, especially ephemeral ones, by comparative population analyses. Production of Menidia will be estimated by the method of Hamilton (1969). The effectiveness of Menidia as a biocontrol agent will be evaluated by studying its prey selectivity.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. This project was terminated this year, although analysis of data concerning the biology of the recently (1967) introduced Mississippi silversides in the lake is still proceeding by H. W. Li (now at Oregon State Univ.) and by W. W. Wurtsbaugh (Ph.D. thesis). Overall we have found that the silversides may be having some controlling impact on the populations of the prehistoric Clear Lake gnat but that its impact on gamefish populations and those of native nongame fishes has been negative or neutral. Similar effects, or worse, are expected in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta where the fish has just become established, and in numerous reservoirs.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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INSTREAM FLOW REQUIREMENTS OF CALIFORNIA FISHES

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Agency ID: CSRS Period: 23 JUN 75 To 30 SEP 84





assimilation. Study the oxygen consumption rates by continuous flow techniques, and determine diurnal and tidal rhythms of metabolism by 24-hr experiments. Burn the organisms in Oxygen bomb calorimeter and determine caloric values. Tag fish species in field and follow movements by recapture. Release tagged fish in enclosures and follow activity. Perform laboratory experiments.

PROGRESS: 79/09 TO 80/08. The abundance patterns of fish and invertebrates in St. Marks coastal estuarine-marsh system were summarized in a published paper. Preliminary experiments on the metabolism of estuarine fish showed that the two resident species, *Fundulus grandis* and *F. similis* consumed 0.036 - 0.047 mlO<sub>2</sub>(g)/hr, which was lower than 0.071 - 0.112 mlO<sub>2</sub>(g)/hr consumed by the migratory species *Leiostomus xanthurus* and *Lagodon rhomboides*. All the four species showed metabolism dependent on ambient oxygen tension in the range of 20 - 90 mmHg. Plankton collections and water quality study in St. Marks estuary and Apalachee Bay were started in April 1979 and will be completed in May 1981. Differences between surface and bottom salinity in one tidal cycle were as high as 5-8 p.p.t., but between surface and bottom oxygen (0.5-1.0 ml/l) and temperature (1-2 degrees C) were negligible. Summer temperatures were higher in contrast to salinities because of rainfall. Plankton volume varied from 5ml/tow (8 minutes) to 300 ml/tow between cool and warm months. Phytoplankton maxima were observed in fall and early winter, and zooplankton peaks in late spring and late summer. When stations are compared, Apalachee Bay stations generally showed larger volume of plankton, and mesohaline estuarine stations showed less. Crustacean larvae such as crab zoea and megalopa, penaeid postlarvae, and fish larvae were abundant from spring through fall.

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001.017 CRIS0033144  
PHOTOSYNTHESIS AND PHOTORESPIRATION IN AQUATIC PLANTS

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Proj. No.: 7800459 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: C6G0 Period: 11 SEP 78 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Identify the environmental factors that induce a change in the photosynthesis - photorespiration ratio; develop a biochemical explanation for the ratio change; identify major biochemical differences between marine and freshwater angiosperms; determine the role of dark CO<sub>2</sub> fixation in aquatic plants; determine if there is any compartmentation of function between different photosynthetic cell types.

APPROACH: Kinetic measurements of photosynthesis, photorespiration and respiration using infrared CO<sub>2</sub> gas exchange analysis, <sup>14</sup>CO<sub>2</sub> feeding, and C(2) electrode techniques; photosynthetic studies of isolated cells and chloroplasts; analyses of photosynthetic products; organic excretion studies; and kinetics and activity measurements of photosynthetic and photorespiratory enzymes.

PROGRESS: 79/09 TO 80/09. All submersed, freshwater macrophytes examined, including algae, bryophytes, and angiosperms, had the ability to alter their photosynthesis/photorespiration (PS/PR) ratio (as measured by several parameters including CO<sub>2</sub> compensation points or Gamma) in response to artificial and seasonal environmental changes. At 100 μM CO<sub>2</sub>, Hydrilla in the low, but not the intermediate to high, Gamma state was capable of net dark CO<sub>2</sub> uptake during the night period, but not during the day. In these plants PEP carboxylase and C(4) acids (malate and aspartate) predominated, but

in the high Gamma state RuBP carboxylase and sugar phosphates were predominant. Hydrilla was able to decarboxylate 14-C-malate in the light, which provides circumstantial evidence for the role of malate as a photosynthetic intermediate. Incubation in ethephon, an ethylene precursor, increased Gamma Hydrilla with high and low values. Whether ethylene has an in vivo role in regulating the PS/PR ratio is under investigation. Myriophyllum also exhibited variation in its PS/PR ratio, but RuBP carboxylase predominated even in the low Gamma state. A HCO<sub>3</sub>(3)-pumping mechanism could not explain the low Gamma state, as it was measurable in air and at low pH, where HCO<sub>3</sub>(3)- ions are virtually absent. This suggests that photorespiration may be reduced in certain angiosperms without resorting to increased PEP carboxylase activity. Whether submerged rice varieties exhibit similar characteristics to other aquatic plants is under study.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/09 TO 80/09

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BOLADAY, A.S. and BOWES, G. 1980. C(4) Acid Metabolism and Dark CO<sub>2</sub> Fixation in a Submerged Aquatic Macrophyte (Hydrilla verticillata). Plant Physiol. 65:331-335.

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001.018 CRIS0068632  
BASELINE STUDIES FOR EVALUATING THE RESPONSE OF AN ECOSYSTEM TO THE INTRODUCTION OF WHITE AMUR

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01765 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the forcing functions, main energy flows, and variations in the important components in an aquatic ecosystem; construct and simulate a model which will incorporate these variables and which will include the possible effects of the introduction of white amur to the ecosystem; monitor the changes that actually do take place in an ecosystem when the fish is introduced, revising the model until it is a reasonable generalization of the ecosystem.

APPROACH: Baseline ecological data will be collected by state agencies on a lake into which the white amur will be introduced in the second year of the study. Models incorporating these data will predict the effects of the fish, and these models will be verified by continued data collection.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A model of Lake Conway, FL, was simulated with and without white amur present. If rates used in the model are accurate, the grazing food chain in this lake is slightly more important than the detritus food chain, and 10% of the gross primary productivity is grazed. One-quarter of the annual phosphorus input to the epilimnion comes from leaching and decay of submersed macrophytes. Simulated ranges of state variables were close to values measured in most cases. The model was stable during a simulation representing ten years. After two years, simulated addition of white amur (7000 fish, each weighting 458g) decreased submersed macrophyte biomass to 60% of its normal peak biomass. Water quality improved, gross primary productivity and community respiration decreased, and the relative importance of the grazing food chain increased. Biomass of benthic invertebrates and secondary predator fish increased. Addition of half as many

fish five years after the first introduction brought about the same degree of macrophyte control, but recovery was more rapid.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.019 CRIS0067503  
BIOLOGICAL STUDIES OF THE SPINY LOBSTER IN SOUTH  
FLORIDA

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01745 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 75 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine distribution, abundance, and seasonal movements of juveniles and adults, and their relation to lobster fishery. Determine impact of harvest rates on populations. Develop monitoring procedures.

APPROACH: Field studies in the Florida Keys, and close coordination with other state and federal lobster studies and the fishing industry.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. No progress report this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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001.020 CRIS0065219  
CHARACTERIZATION OF GONAD-STIMULATING SUBSTANCES IN  
MARINE ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: FLA-VY-01673 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 14 MAR 74 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop assay for gonad-stimulating substances. Isolate and characterize substances involved in the regulation of spawning and gamete maturation. Identify and characterize neuroendocrine mechanisms involved in spawning and gamete maturation. Determine patterns of similarity among gonad-stimulating substances from different animals.

APPROACH: An assay system for gonadotrophins, similar to the one used for starfish, will be developed. Purification of the gonadotrophins will be accomplished by chromatography. The mechanism of action will be studied using purified substances. Patterns of similarity among isolated gonadotrophins will be investigated by determining amino acid sequences, physical and chemical properties and mode of action.

PROGRESS: 74/03 TO 80/12. Warm water marine teleosts which lay pelagic eggs, (snapper, grouper, mackerel, trout, drum, etc.), are a group of fish of major importance to mariculture, sport fishing and commercial fisheries. The pinfish, *Lagodon rhomboides*, was selected from this group as a model for the study of toxins, hormones, etc. which effect gamete maturation and spawning. Photoperiod and several mammalian hormones were found to be highly stimulatory. The development of mature oocytes to ripe eggs could be induced, stripped from the fish, fertilized and normal yolk-sac larvae produced. Culture of ovarian follicles and follicle cells in vitro was investigated to determine the action of hormones and toxins directly on the ovary. A defined medium was developed to further simplify these studies and reduce complex interactions and metabolic

conversions. Stem cells in the follicle appear to differentiate to oocytes following LH stimulation. Estradiol-17- $\beta$  is the primary stimulator for vitellogenin production, and a primary and secondary response to estrogen was independent of salinity but dependent on water temperature. Toxicity of copper to the fish and the reproductive process was investigated because of the hazard presented by environmental copper poisoning and the importance of copper in disease control. A potassium intoxication follows copper poisoning caused by cell damage and failure of osmoregulation by the gills and kidneys.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/03 TO 80/12

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CARDEILHAC, P.T. 1980. Mechanisms of Copper Toxicity to Marine Fish in Aquatic Animal Medicine: A State of the Art. Florida Sea Grant Report 32:101. Jenkins, R.L. and Belusky, J.G. (Eds.).

CARDEILHAC, P.T., SIMPSON, C.F., LOVELOCK, E.L., YOSHA, S.F., CALDERWOOD, H.W. and GUDAT, J.C. 1979. Failure of Osmoregulation With Apparent Potassium Intoxication in Marine Teleosts: A Primary Toxic Effect of Copper.

WILEY, A.A. and CARDEILHAC, P.T. 1977. Possible Mammalian Induced Differentiation of Follicle Cells to Oocytes. The Physiologist 20(4):102.

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001.021 CRIS0059266  
MORPHOLOGY AND TAXONOMY OF NEMATODES

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Proj. No.: FLA-CS-01532 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 09 OCT 70 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: To collect, mount, and identify plant, soil, and aquatic nematodes. To study nematode morphology for determining possible strain and population differences. To describe new taxa of nematodes.

APPROACH: To collect specimens by culture in greenhouse or external acquisition. To prepare specimens for microscopic study using a variety of techniques. To study such preparations under the compound microscope, employing the camera lucida and photomicrography. To store prepared specimens in slide file cabinets. To accumulate taxonomic data from these studies; such data to be used in the preparation of taxonomic revisions. Finally, to prepare publications of a morphological and taxonomic nature.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Meloidogyne crucians garciae-martinez N. sp. is from tomato roots in the U.S. Virgin Islands. The new species is distinguished from other species by having punctations around the female anus and by juveniles possessing extremely long tri-lobed esophageal glands. During the ten years this project has been active, three compendia were published dealing with the genera monochoides, tylenchorhynchus and xiphinema. One methods paper concerned the preparation of permanent nematode slides, while another described a new xiphinema species. Two publications have been on morphological variations occurring with pratylenchus coffeae and P. brachyurus, and with xiphinema krugi. A book "nomenclatorial compilation of plant and soil nematodes" and the 1972 and 1973 supplements to the book also were published. The most recent publication has been "an illustrated guide to the marine nematodes." In all, the project has produced 2 books, 13 articles, and 4 abstracts. Although this project is terminated with this report, a replacement project, EY-02024 "Taxonomy and Morphology of Nematodes" has been started.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12



TARJAN, A.C. 1980. An Illustrated Guide to the Marine Nematodes. Inst. Food Agr. Sci., Univ. Florida, 212 pp.

BARTCN, J.E. and TARJAN, A.C. 1980. A Taxonomic Survey of Marine Nematodes in Coastal Waters of the Lower Florida Keys. (Abstr.). Nematologica 10(2):64.

001.022 CRIS0081957  
IMMUNOLOGIC RESPONSE OF CHANNEL CATFISH, *ICTALURUS PUNCTATUS*, TO BETEROLOGOUS ANTIPROTOZOAN IMMUNIZATION

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Proj. No.: GEO-V-X103 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: To determine whether immunization of channel catfish with cilia of *Tetrahymena pyriformis*, cilia administered orally or topically, can induce protection against infection by *Ichthyophthirius multifiliis*. To determine duration of immunity induced by heterologous immunization by various routes of administration. To determine the nature of the immune response of fish to the ciliary antigen.

APPROACH: Channel catfish will be immunized with *T. pyriformis* cilia by injection, oral drench and immersion. Groups of fish will be challenged at various time intervals with *I. multifiliis*. Mucus, serum, and anterior kidney cells will be collected from immunized fish and tested for presence of antibody and cell mediated immune response. Cell populations in the immune response will be studied by double fluorescent antibody staining.

001.023 CRIS0083102  
GENETIC ASSESSMENT OF *MACROBRACHIUM* ON GUAM

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Proj. No.: GUA00032 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 17 NOV 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To identify and characterize isozymes from *Macrobrachium* for use as genetic markers: To assess the intraspecific and interspecific variability of isolated populations of *M. lar* and *M. rosenbergii* on Guam: To attempt hybridization of *M. lar* and *M. rosenbergii*: To determine if there has been a loss of genetic variability in stocks of *M. rosenbergii*.

APPROACH: Electrophoretic mobility of various isozymes will be used as genetic markers. Between 50 and 100 prawns from each location will be screened for all markers. Allelic frequencies will be recorded and genetic variability calculated as the index of heterozygosity across all loci. Hybridization of *M. rosenbergii* and *M. lar* will be attempted by natural mating and artificial insemination.

001.024 CRIS0069627  
CARRYING CAPACITY OF STREAMS FOR REARING SALMONIDS AS AFFECTED BY SEDIMENT & OTHER COMPONENTS

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0031 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUN 74 To 30 SEP 78

OBJECTIVES: Assess the density (#/m<sup>2</sup>) of juvenile anadromous salmonids in selected forest streams of central Idaho; relate stream morphology, cover, temperature, insect drift, numbers of cohabiting fish species, seeding rate (stock recruitment), and fish growth to numbers of juvenile anadromous salmonids; determine effects of a point influx of sediment on fish density; evaluate the usefulness of fall weir

counts in determination of fish abundance.

APPROACH: Artificial channels will be employed in assessing the effect of seeding rate on salmonid abundance. Estimation of stream variables and fish abundance and growth will be made on Marsh Creek, Cape Horn Creek, Knapp Creek and Middle Fork on the Salmon River. Models for explaining fish abundance will be formulated and tested.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1974, 1975, and 1976, we sampled Beaver, Cape Horn, Elk, Knapp and Marsh Creeks in the Central Idaho batholith and conducted experiments in artificial stream channels at Bayden Creek Research Station, Idaho, to determine their carrying capacity for rearing juvenile spring chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) and related factors. We utilized a transect method to measure stream physical parameters, snorkeling gear to facilitate counting of fish, fish weirs to enumerate pre-smolt chinook migrating downstream, and 30 m<sup>3</sup> of granitic sand dumped into Knapp Creek to assess sediment effects on fish abundance. We released juvenile chinook from Rapid River Hatchery into Cape Horn, Knapp, and Marsh creeks after various treatments of predator and resident chinook population removal to help define carrying capacity. We also placed chinook population removal to help define carrying capacity. We also placed chinook fry into artificial stream channels to help assess the effects of weeding rate (egg deposition or juvenile plants) and water temperature on fish abundance. Numerical and biomass densities of age 0 chinook salmon in stream sites averaged 0.42 fish/m<sup>2</sup> and 1.51 g/m<sup>2</sup>. The maximum average densities observed in naturally seeded streams were 0.48 fish/m<sup>2</sup> and 2.29 g/m<sup>2</sup>, compared to 1.38 fish/m<sup>2</sup> and 5.42 g/m<sup>2</sup> in sites of Cape Horn Creek, where I stocked juvenile chinook salmon.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

SEKULICH, P.T. 1980. The Carrying Capacity of Infertile Forest Streams for Rearing Juvenile Chinook Salmon. University of Idaho. Ph.D. Dissertation, 156 pp.

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001.025 CRIS0074675  
EVALUATION OF VARIOUS HATCHERY REARING CONDITIONS ON SEAWARD MIGRATION OF STEELHEAD TROUT

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0054 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 SEP 76 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the seaward migration (and eventual adult return for some groups) of steelhead trout at Dworshak National Fish Hatchery. The following variables are to be evaluated: diets, cool water conditioning prior to release, length of rearing for fish from late egg takes, size of smolt, location of release, method of release, date of release, and pond and water reuse system at Dworshak National Fish Hatchery.

APPROACH: We will mark 10,000 fish with brands in each test group which will be monitored only as smolts at the dams. Sixty thousand fish will be marked with brand, adipose clip and wire nose tags in each group that will be monitored at dams as smolts and returning adults. Only 30,000 fish will be marked in groups hauled to estuary. The seaward migration and quality of steelhead smolts produced at Dworshak National Fish Hatchery will be evaluated as to fish health assessment at hatchery prior to release by hatchery staff; voluntary migration from ponds; recovery of marked smolts at Snake and Columbia River dams and recovery of marked adults from sport and commercial fisheries in Columbia drainage and at hatchery when they return to spawn.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Selected procedures for rearing and releasing steelhead trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) at Dworshak National Fish Hatchery (DNFH) were evaluated in 1977. Initial evaluation entailed recapturing branded fish from each test group at Lower Granite Dam. Final evaluation will occur when binary coded nose tags are removed from returning adults captured in the fisheries and at the hatchery. Length at release was tested again in 1977 but results were inconsistent. Conditioning fish in cold water (less than 10C) for up to 12 weeks appeared to have some benefits, but again the results are questionable because of the fish health problems. Seaward migration of hatchery steelhead occurred from early April to early June in 1977. A significant proportion of the smolts were ready to migrate seaward by mid-April. Smaller fish did not migrate in large numbers until May. Salt treatment before release did not result in more migrants reaching Lower Granite Dam, but malachite treatment after handling and marking did improve a fish's chance of migrating successfully. Steelhead trout reared for two years and released in 1977 were better smolts than the one-year old fish released in 1977. More of the two-year fish were recaptured at the dam and they had a lower fungus infection rate than the one-year fish. Many Snake River drainage steelhead (wild and hatchery) were not ready to live in seawater in April or early May even though they were migrating seaward.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

BJORNEN, L.C., HIEBERT, P. and RINGE, R.E. 1979.  
Seaward Migration of Dworshak Hatchery Steelhead Trout in 1977 as Related to Rearing History.  
Completion Report Contract No. 14-16-0001-2144,  
Dworshak National Fish Hatchery,

001.026

CRIS0082659

#### WILD VERSUS HATCHERY TROUT

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0066 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JAN 79 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine effect of stocking catchable-size trout on the abundance of wild trout. Investigate competition and survival under predation of wild and hatchery fry, over-winter survival and behavior and length of hatchery experience required to alter fry behavior.

APPROACH: Plants of rainbow trout will be made for 2 years into several sections of a stream and wild trout abundance and movement will be assessed. Short-term abundance and behavior of wild and hatchery trout will be observed in a second stream. Experiments with fry will be conducted in artificial stream channels.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. For the past two years we have been studying interactions of wild and hatchery trout in two Idaho streams; the infertile St. Joe River and the productive Big Springs Creek, tributary to the Lemhi River. To date, we have found no evidence that single plants of hatchery-reared, catchable-size rainbow trout displace wild resident trout. Study of effects of repeated plants is in progress. Behavioral differences of wild and hatchery rainbow trout are being studied in experimental stream channels.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### HABITAT SELECTION AND SPECIES INTERACTIONS OF JUVENILE TROUT IN FLATHEAD RIVER TRIBUTARIES

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0079 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 MAY 80 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine habitat utilized by juvenile bull trout and cutthroat trout. Evaluate species interactions between juvenile bull trout and cutthroat trout.

APPROACH: Utilized habitat will be quantified at 2 levels, macro and micro. Macro refers to the habitat unit, pool riffle or run, that juvenile fish are using. Micro refers to the exact location within the habitat unit an individual fish has chosen. Habitat units will be examined in large and small streams. Allopatric and sympatric situations will be sought.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Migratory populations of cutthroat and bull trout utilize the upper portion of the Flathead River drainage for spawning and rearing. Many of the major tributaries to the upper forks of the river drain National Forest or British Columbia forest lands. These public lands are being investigated for coal, oil, and gas development. The potential impacts of these developments on the adjacent waters and ensuing effects on the Flathead fishery is of concern to the Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. Although habitat assessments, fish distribution and fish abundance data is available, the question of habitat selection remains unclear. The study is being conducted to better define the habitat selection of cutthroat and bull trout. Study has not been completed nor has data been compiled and processed.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### ROLE OF SHORT DISTANCE MIGRATION OF THE HOMING OF SALMON AND STEELHEAD

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0080 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 AUG 80 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: To determine if a short distance voluntary migration prior to transport to the lower Columbia River will increase the homing of salmon and steelhead.

APPROACH: Salmon and steelhead trout smolts were marked and released to migrate normally to the ocean (control groups) or were allowed to migrate a short distance (a few meters to 5 km) before being collected and transported to the lower Columbia River via truck or barge.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Eight groups of salmon and steelhead smolts were marked and released in 1980 to evaluate the effect of a short distance seaward migration on homing. Four of the groups migrated normally from their respective hatcheries or usual release points and the other four were allowed to voluntarily migrate a short distance from the hatchery ponds before being collected, marked (if not already) and transported to the lower Columbia River. The shortest distance voluntary migration amounted to merely migrating out of a raceway at Lower Granite Dam. Other groups migrated across the hatcheries in discharge flumes and then entered traps. The Rapid River chinook migrated out of the hatchery ponds and down Rapid River about three miles before they were trapped, marked, and transported. More of the short distance migration-transport fish of all stocks were recaptured by national marine Fisheries Service personnel near the estuary compared to the normal migration fish. Fish were collected near the estuary by purse and beach seining. Adult returns from the 1980 and prior year releases will be monitored through 1984 to evaluate the number of adults produced and the ability of those adults to return to their natal area. Downriver fisheries, Idaho sport fisheries and returns to hatcheries or dams will be monitored for marked adult fish.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

BJORNEN, T.C., R.E. RINGE, and J. KING. 1981. Role of short distance migration on the homing of salmon and steelhead. Completion report to National marine Fisheries Service on contract

001.025 CRIS0074676  
FISH AND AQUATIC MACROINVERTEBRATE FAUNA IN SOUTH  
FORK BOISE RIVER BELOW ANDERSON RANCH DAM

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Proj. No.: ILA-CFU-0055 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 SEP 76 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the status of fish populations in the South Fork of the Boise River below Anderson Ranch Dam by assessing species composition, relative abundance, age structure, distribution, movement, food habits; evaluate the status of aquatic macroinvertebrate populations by assessing generic composition, relative abundance, distribution and availability to the fish populations; assess spawning and rearing habitat for rainbow trout and mountain whitefish.

APPROACH: We will assess species composition, relative abundance and distribution of fish by use of electrofishing gear and/or angling. We will assess aquatic macroinvertebrate populations seasonally by use of artificial substrate samplers. We will determine approximate spawning period of mountain whitefish collected by electrofishing and/or angling.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Data were analyzed and a report is in progress. The aquatic insects in the South Fork Boise River, Idaho, serve as the food base for a trophy rainbow trout, *Salmo gairdneri* Richardson, fishery. A series of test flows were conducted below Anderson Ranch Dam in the winters of 1977 and 1978 to determine the impact of fluctuating hydro-electric flows on that food supply. Immature aquatic insect samples were collected with modified Hess and drift net samplers. Catastrophic insect drift was correlated with increased discharge and occurred irrespective of the timing of higher flows. The Diptera Chironomidae and the mayflies Ephemerella spp. and Baetis spp. were the major contributors to catastrophic drift. There was no statistical difference in benthic insect standing crop before and after fluctuating flows. Behavioral drift after high flows is hypothesized as a compensating mechanism to counteract displacement during catastrophic drift. A final report and master's thesis will be completed in 1980.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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EVALUATION OF JUVENILE SALMON AND STEELHEAD DENSITY  
AS RELATED TO DENSITY OF SPAWNERS AND FRY RELEASE

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0047 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JAN 77 To 30 MAY 78

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate data collected on the density of juvenile salmon and steelhead in good and marginal nursery streams following small spawning escapements (such as 1974, 1975, and 1976) and with larger escapements. Evaluate data on the impacts and success of releasing large numbers of steelhead fry into nursery streams and compare with survival obtained in other streams.

APPROACH: Select transect areas in good and marginal areas were counted in 1975 and 1976 with snorkel gear. The data was analyzed and a report is in preparation. Steelhead fry were released in selected study streams to evaluate movements, growth, survival, competition with natural fry. Data on this segment of study will be analyzed and a report prepared.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Juvenile steelhead densities decreased from 1975-77 and increased in 1978. Age I and 0 steelhead densities for the four years correlated ( $r = .62$  to  $.99$ ) with the respective

adult escapements. Densities of fry in tributaries in August ranged from 0.0 to 92.0/100 m<sup>2</sup>. Streams that did not receive hatchery fry had the largest (92.0 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup>) and also the smallest densities (0.0 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup>). Highest mean densities (44.1 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup>) were associated with streams that had both hatchery and wild fry. Streams with only wild fry had mean densities of 33.8 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup> and streams (2) that had only hatchery fry had densities of 7.3 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup>. Steelhead fry densities of 20-40/100 m<sup>2</sup> and probably higher may be expected in fully seeded rearing areas. Tributaries in 1978 that had hatchery fry introduction of 520 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup> were below fry densities needed to fully seed the rearing areas. If steelhead fry are available, stocking at a rate of 100 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup> may be needed to insure full seeding of the rearing areas. Fish movement through traps in Post Office and Weir Creeks, 1977-78, was highest when traps were installed in early July, then decreased near the end of July and through August. Nearly all movement of age I and older steelhead ceased in August with the exception of fish movement associated with freshets.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
MABEOTT, L. BRENT. 1981. Density and habitat of wild and introduced juvenile steelhead trout in the Lochsa River Drainage, Idaho. Masters Thesis. University of Idaho. 94 pp.

001.031 CRIS0073360  
INVESTIGATION OF AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS IN SMALL PONDS

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Proj. No.: IND059044 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the interactions in the Plankton community of small impoundments; investigate the relationship of plankton to young fish; evaluate the effect on fish populations of ecosystem changes.

APPROACH: Ecosystem measurements will be made in the field. A time series of population data will be used to evaluate interactions in the plankton community. Fish population on plankton will be determined by comparing populations from ponds containing no fish with populations from ponds with young fish. Adult fish populations status will be monitored and changes resulting from natural or induced disruptions measured.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The farm pond is an important aquatic ecosystem in the midwestern United States. Fish population imbalances in ponds are often caused by wide variations in the size of predator or prey year classes. These variations can be the result of fluctuations in larval mortality. Food availability and competition for food are the primary determinants of larval mortality and growth. Experiments conducted at various prey levels showed survival as a function of prey density was different for bluegill, green sunfish, and large mouth bass. Green sunfish survival was superior to either bluegill or bass. Bluegill survival improved as prey density increased, but bass had a low survival at most prey levels. The influence of competition between bluegill and green sunfish on their natural diet was investigated in a series of partitioned areas in a local pond. The presence of interspecific competition did not alter the diet of either species, but competition with older individuals produced major dietary shifts. In a study on the genetics of channel catfish, triploidy was induced by cold-shocking fertilized eggs. The triploid catfish are as viable as their diploid full sibs and tolerate the polyploidy condition well. Evidence for an increased growth rate due to triploidy and due to the lack of sexual maturation in sterile triploids was noted.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
HOLLAND, L.E. and LIBBY, G.S. 1980. Inexpensive Egg-Hatching Jar. Prog. Fish-Cult. 42(2):112.  
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LIBBY, G.S. and BOLLAND, L.E. 1980. The Use of Periodic Light Applications of Rotenone as a Management Technique for Small Impoundments. Purdue Univ., Water Resources Research Center, Tech. Report No. 132. 30 pp.

001.032 CRIS0074624  
THE USE OF FISH BEHAVIOR IN TOXICITY TESTING

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Proj. No.: ICW02284 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the relative sensitivities of a variety of behaviors of fish (such as coughing, feeding, mating and hierarchy formation) to toxic substances. Determine the effect of a variety of toxic substances on specific behavior patterns of fish. Compare the utility of behavioral toxicity tests and standard EPA chronic exposure tests in establishing safe levels of toxicants in aquatic ecosystems.

APPROACH: Observe and quantify the behavior patterns of fish exposed to varying levels of toxicants compared to the behavior patterns of control fish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research this past year centered on the effects of copper and methyl parathion on bluegill behavior. The methyl parathion tests are completed, except for statistical analysis. The copper work will continue through this spring and early summer. Eight populations of five bluegill (ranging from 11.5 to 14.0 cm in total length) were maintained in separate 315 liter flow through aquaria. After an acclimation period of sufficient time to allow establishment of stable social hierarchies and territories, nine behaviors were monitored for 86 hours before treatment and 96 hours during exposure to methyl parathion. Treatments consisted of two replicates of a control tank and tanks receiving 0.35, 0.035, and 0.0035 mg/l methyl parathion. Statistically, unanalyzed trends from these two runs of the experiment indicate that low levels of methyl parathion increased the frequency of "flinches" and "fin flickering," both of which are maintenance behaviors and behavioral manifestations of nervous system effects. General activity levels appeared to become elevated during the early stages of toxicant administration and were followed by subsequent increases in aggression. After approximately 15 hours these increased activity levels began to subside in all but the lowest exposure concentration. Feeding behavior was also affected by methyl parathion. Dominant individual feeding success rates dropped as these fish became less successful at capturing the fathead minnows that were used as prey.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.033 CRIS0064201  
ORGANIZATION AND RETRIEVAL OF FRESHWATER FISHERY DATA

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Proj. No.: ICW02002 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Compile all available data on life histories of freshwater fishes for United States and Canada; coordinate for comparison; publish summaries; maintain bibliography, cross-indexed.

APPROACH: A cross-indexed filing system and standardized tabulation have been developed. Much of the data have to be transformed to metric system and uniform definition of parameters. Manuscript summaries will be made available in special order as they are prepared for publication in Volume II of "Handbook of Freshwater Fisheries Biology".

PROGRESS: 73/07 TO 79/06. Volume II of Handbook of Freshwater Fishery Biology. Life History data of the centrarchid fishes of United States and Canada was published by Iowa State University Press in 1977, and 1955 copies had been sold as of April 30, 1979. The Handbook is frequently cited in publication and reportedly is widely used as a reference, saving much research time and permitting more effective use of the data. Prior to publication, sections of the manuscript were provided upon request and payment of expenses of copying to other scientists for use on on-going projects or on environmental impact studies. The cross-indexes library is used quite extensively by the graduate students and staff of Iowa State University in their research. Data on species other than centrarchid fishes have been cross-indexed for use in Volume III, and in possible future revisions or supplements. The new literature on the species covered in Volume I is probably at least one-third that covered in the 1969 publication.

PUBLICATIONS: 73/07 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

001.034 CRIS0081304  
ADULT PADDLEFISH MOVEMENT IN POOL 13, UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER

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Proj. No.: IOW02421 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 80 To 28 FEB 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the spring and summer movement patterns of sexually mature paddlefish. Identify staging areas, spawning sites and post-spawning dispersal of sexually mature paddlefish. Describe the physical characteristics of habitat utilized by paddlefish. Identify the associations of paddlefish with specific types of habitat or navigation improvement structures.

APPROACH: Radio telemetry will be utilized to monitor the movement of sexually mature fish from mid-March through August. Selected physical features of the areas where paddlefish are located will be described. Indirect identification of spawning sites will be achieved by the location of paddlefish when environmental conditions associated with spawning occur in Pool 13.

PROGRESS: 80/03 TO 80/12. The paddlefish is an important commercial and sport species in the Mississippi River drainage, but many aspects of its biology are unknown. Effective management of paddlefish requires investigation into the behavior and habitat requirements of the animal. A radio telemetry study was initiated in 1980 to determine movement patterns, habitat characteristics, and spawning sites. Radio transmitters were surgically implanted in the body cavities of seven fish in 1980. The fish were monitored daily throughout the summer and several physical parameters were measured. Ten sexually mature paddlefish will be tagged prior to spawning in 1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/03 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.035 CRIS0082516  
FISH MOVEMENT IN POOL 9, UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER

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Proj. No.: IOW02458 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 80 To 01 OCT 82

OBJECTIVES: To define the fish community of the main channel and to select two species for study. To determine the movement of the two study species in response to passage of vessels. To define the association of the two study species with definable habitat types.

**APPROACH:** Traditional fish sampling gears will be used to describe the community. Radiotelemetry will be employed to monitor fish movement.

**PROGRESS:** 80/11 TO 81/01. Literature review of the influence of water level fluctuations on littoral plant and fish communities was initiated. Procurement of equipment and supplies for the 1981 field season was initiated.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/11 TO 81/01  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.036 CRIS0073086  
**BEHAVIOR OF IOWA SPORT FISHES**

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Proj. No.: ICW02236 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** The research program will involve long term behavioral studies of Iowa sport fishes in nature using ultrasonic tagging techniques. For each species studied, the major objectives shall be: Determine size and nature of home ranges, including physical features of the preferred habitat, determine daily and seasonal activity patterns and effects of natural environmental variation upon these patterns, and ascertain the effects of human influences upon behavior.

**APPROACH:** Ultrasonic transmitters will be surgically implanted into the abdominal cavity of experimental fish. The fish will be released into nature and tracked using a boat-mounted hydrophone and receiver. Observation locations will be determined by triangulation and plotted on a map. Fish movements will be compared with habitat features and other environmental parameters.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980, data were analysed from a 2 year telemetry study of the movements and behavior of adult muskellunge in Lake West Okoboji, Iowa. These analyses confirm the preliminary findings reported last year. The basic elements of the populations' seasonal behavioral patterns are: reproductive activities along shallow shoreline areas in early spring, active foraging in pelagic areas during late spring and early summer, feeding as ambush predators in the outer littoral zone in late summer and early fall, overwintering in deeper areas. During the growing season, the fish occupy well-defined home ranges averaging about 10% of the lake's surface area. Some fish maintain two disjunct home areas and travel back and forth between them. There is no evidence of territorial behavior, however. Throughout this time, the fish are primarily suspended in the upper and middle portions of the water column. All 9 study fish exhibited these general behavioral patterns although there were individual differences in home ranges and timing of the major behavioral shifts. Because of the seasonally changing fish behaviors, there is a marked seasonality in angling success for muskellunge in the lake. A M.S. thesis on the research will be completed in spring 1981.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.037 CRIS0073088  
**GENETICS OF NATURAL FISH POPULATIONS**

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Proj. No.: ICW02235 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop biochemical/genetic approaches to fish taxonomy and to certain problems of fisheries management by electrophoresis of body tissue proteins. Several subprograms are recognized. Survey and compare natural populations of fishes with respect to levels of electrophoretically detectable genetic diversity, determine taxonomic relationships

of selected fish species on the basis of biochemical/genetic characters, compare wild and hatchery stocks of sport fishes on a genetic basis in order to evaluate the genetic impact of stocking programs.

**APPROACH:** Fish populations will be sampled by seines, nets and electrofishing, as appropriate. Blood and tissue samples will be analyzed by starch and acrylamide gel electrophoresis. Histochemical staining procedures will be used to identify specific proteins. Protein patterns will be analyzed and qualitatively and quantitatively, based on allelic frequencies of polymorphic loci.

**PROGRESS:** 78/01 TO 78/12. Two manuscripts were prepared on an investigation of the genetic impact of stocking upon wild brook trout populations. Wild trout were collected from nine streams in central Wisconsin and domesticated fish were sampled from the Osceola State Trout Hatchery, Wisconsin. Over many years, the study streams had variably received light to heavy stocking of Osceola trout. Blood plasma and whole-eye homogenate samples from the trout were analyzed electrophoretically for genetic variation in the transferrin and lactate dehydrogenase systems. The hatchery stock was genetically distinctive from most wild populations at two genetic loci. There were significant correlations between stream stocking histories and allelic frequencies at the Ldh-B(2) locus, the wild type allele decreasing in frequency as stocking intensity increased. This relationship does not seem to reflect interbreeding between wild and hatchery trout, however. Rather, it may indicate alteration of selective pressures induced by ecological interactions between the two stocks.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 78/01 TO 78/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**ECOLOGY OF LARVAL STREAM FISHES**

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Proj. No.: IOW02234 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop methods for collecting larval fishes in Iowa warmwater streams and rivers, develop procedures for the identification of such larval fishes, determine species composition, distribution, and abundance of larval fishes in selected rivers, and compare the above parameters with reference to various forms of habitat, stream alteration and water use.

**APPROACH:** Larval stream fishes will be collected by drift nets and a water pumping apparatus. Collecting will be done at several stations in a stream which represent different habitat conditions and at various times of day. Species identification will be accomplished by standard morphological methods and by electrophoresis of tissue proteins.

**PROGRESS:** 77/07 TO 79/06. A study was completed on the taxonomy and ecology of drifting larval fishes in the upper Skunk River, Iowa. Collections were made in Spring 1977 using stationary drift nets at eight river stations in the vicinity of Ames. Larvae of more than 20 fish species were collected, minnows (Cyprinidae) being the most abundant group. Taxonomic descriptions were made for larvae of nine minnow species: stoneroller, brassy minnow, common shiner, bigmouth shiner, red shiner, sand shiner, bluntnose minnow, fathead minnow and creek chub. Larval fish drift was greatest at night and consisted primarily of prolarval and early post-larval stages. Numbers of drifting larvae were not associated with either river discharge or turbidity. Occurrence and abundance of larvae was similar over the 30 km length of river sampled and was not related to local habitat characteristics. Phenological patterns of larvae abundance exhibited a close correlation with the known spawning periodicity of Skunk River fishes. A purpose of drifting behavior may be to transport larvae from low order spawning streams to higher order streams where planktonic food organisms are



more abundant.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 79/06**

PERRY, L.G. 1979. I. Identification of nine larval cyprinids inhabiting small northern rivers. II. Spatial and temporal patterns of larval fish drift in the upper Skunk River. M.S. Thesis. Iowa State University, Ames. 73 pp.  
PERRY, L.G. and MENZEL, E.W. 1979. Identification of nine larval cyprinids inhabiting small northern rivers, pp. 141-173. In: Wallus, R. and Voightlander (eds.), Proceedings of a workshop on freshwater larval fishes, Tennessee Valley

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**FACTORS AFFECTING FISH POPULATIONS OF IOWA STREAMS**

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Proj. No.: ICW02225 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 77 To 30 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine fluctuations in abundance of selected populations of stream fishes and factors affecting these fluctuations. Identify man-made habitat alterations that can enhance environmental conditions for aquatic life. Increase knowledge of environmental pollutants transport and dynamics in flowing and impounded waters.

**APPROACH:** Research will consist of field investigation on length, weight and distribution of fish species in several Iowa rivers in relation to selected environmental parameters. Data on pesticide and polychlorinated biphenyls concentration in muscle tissue will be obtained by gas chromatography on fish inhabiting the Des Moines River and Red Rock Lake.

**PROGRESS:** 77/03 TO 80/06. Common carp were used to monitor organochlorine pesticide residues in fish from the Des Moines River. Residues were below U.S. Food and Drug Administration allowable levels in food fish. Reservoir sampling locations, Red Rock and Saylorville, tended to have higher dieldrin levels than riverine locations. This trend was not observed for DDT residues. Missouri river environmental gap evaluation--rotches cut in rock revetments to increase habitat density were evaluated. Species composition and sizes of fish associated with notches were described. Smallmouth bass in the Skunk River--during the 1976-77 drought, the population was decimated by winter kill. Survival, growth, production, movement, and habitat associations of fingerlings stocked following the drought was assessed.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/03 TO 80/06**

HUBERT, W.A. 1980. Aldrin and DDT Residues in Carp from Impounded and Riverine Segments of the Des Moines River, 1979. In: Proceedings of the Seminar on the Water Quality in the Corps of Engineers' Reservoirs in Iowa. U.S. Army Corps

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**FACTORS AFFECTING FISH POPULATIONS IN IOWA WATERS**

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Proj. No.: ICW02465 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 31 JUL 80 To 30 SEP 85

**OBJECTIVES:** To determine the factors influencing fluctuations in abundance of selected populations. To identify man-made habitat alterations that impact or enhance environmental conditions for aquatic life. To increase understanding of environmental contaminants transport and dynamics. To evaluate fishery management techniques aimed at enhancing fishery quality or productivity.

**APPROACH:** Research will consist of field and laboratory studies on the life history, environmental requirements, and population dynamics of fish species in Iowa waters. Data on environmental contaminants in fish and their habitats will be obtained by standard analytical procedures. Established methods for

population assessment will be used to determine the effects of various management techniques.

**PROGRESS:** 80/07 TO 80/12. Two individual studies were conducted within the scope of this project: one dealing with pesticide residues in the Des Moines River and another concerned with the propagation of walleyes, *Stizostedion vitreum*, (propagated walleyes may be stocked so as to manipulate resident fish populations). Concentrations of dieldrin and DDT in muscle tissue of carp, *Cyprinus carpio*, from the Des Moines River, Iowa, were compared relative to month of collection, age of fish, and sampling location. Statistically significant differences were observed for all three factors. Expression of pesticide levels on the basis of wet weight of flesh often produced different results than when comparisons were made on a fat basis. Samples from reservoir locations tended to have higher dieldrin levels than samples from riverine locations. However, no similar trend was detected for DDT levels. Walleye fry fed a mixture of a diatom (*Melosira* sp.), decapsulated brine shrimp eggs, and dry feed (W-7) exhibited higher survival rates than those fed any of these items alone or in pairs. Walleye fingerlings were reared in ponds to a length of 35 mm and successfully transferred to hatchery production units. Substantial mortality occurred later, apparently due to stress from subsequent handling. Acceptance of dry feed by walleye fingerlings was highest in those rearing units in which water flow patterns held the feed in suspension for the longest times. Research in the coming year will proceed along similar lines for each study.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12**

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**THE ROLE OF SILTS AND CLAYS IN THE NUTRITION OF ZOOPLANKTON**

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Proj. No.: KAN-05-691 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 JAN 79 To 30 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate role of suspended silts and clays in zooplankton nutrition and filter feeding zooplankton in fate of particulate materials exported by rivers into reservoirs. Present knowledge of organic matter synthesis and downstream material export by river ecosystems (particularly in the Grand Plains rivers U.S. Present understanding of dissolved and particulate detritus in lakes, importance of resource utilization in controlling composition of zooplankton communities. Influence of impoundment on biological processing of suspended materials is little known but present knowledge of zooplankton feeding and production can be brought to bear on several aspects of the fate of these particles.

**APPROACH:** Laboratory experiments to identify causal relationships between particulate food and zooplankton responses to it; ascertain which elements of resource control zooplankton filtering rates. Observe specific field conditions with more refined measurements than was used before; e.g., in situ filtering rate measurements, specific identification, birth rate estimation, size frequency measurement of filter feeding zooplankton and more precise evaluation of resource quality and quantity two. Evaluation of resource quality and quantity. Evaluate assimilation of potential food resources by investigating growth, survivorship and egg production of laboratory populations.

ECOLOGICAL STUDIES WITH RED SWAMP CRAWFISH AND WHITE  
RIVER CRAWFISH

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Proj. No.: LAB01192

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 11 AUG 64 To 31 OCT 80

OBJECTIVES: Study factors influencing ecology of  
crawfish, such as temperature, season, water quality  
and depth, vegetation, soil type, and agricultural  
practices, in relation to feeding, growth,  
reproduction, behavior, populations, diseases,  
predators, and competitors.

APPROACH: Experiments will be set up in aquaria to  
determine temperature tolerance of crawfish. Past  
crawfish production records for certain areas will be  
compared to weather records. Small ponds will be  
stocked with crawfish and effects of water level  
fluctuations studied. Crawfish movements will be  
studied in laboratory and in the field. Methods for  
food habits studies will be developed and applied in  
the laboratory. Water from natural crawfish habitats  
will be analyzed. Natural crawfish populations will  
be studied in relation to soil fertility. Population  
dynamics of crawfish will be studied, including  
mortality and predators. Crawfish carrying capacity  
will be determined from small ponds.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/10. Studies conducted during  
reporting period on influence of pesticides, rice  
residue, and planted rice on crawfish production  
indicated: No differences in growth, survival and  
yield of crawfish in tanks planted with untreated  
rice, planted with untreated rice, or planted with  
treated rice plus receiving Propanil, Ordram and  
Furadan. No pesticide residues were detected in  
flesh. In lab studies, a combination of Propanil,  
Ordram and Furadan was more toxic to crawfish than  
any single pesticide. After rice was harvested in  
crawfish ponds the stubble was left standing (S),  
baled (B) and added back to ponds periodically, or  
disked (D) into the soil. Half the ponds were flooded  
early (E), Sept. 20, and half late (L), Oct. 10.  
Crawfish in S, B and D ponds grew to 19, 18, and 17 g  
respectively. Crawfish in E and L flooded ponds grew  
to 92 and 83 mm in length, respectively. Rice straw  
decomposed fastest in B ponds, followed by S and D  
ponds, with weight loss of 77, 67, and 48%,  
respectively, after 5-months. Dissolved oxygen was  
consistently higher in E flooded ponds than in L  
flooded ponds; 18 weeks after flooding, periphyton in  
g/m<sup>2</sup> was E 337, L 216, S 358, B 333, D 307. Ponds  
containing crawfish were planted with or without  
rice. Ponds with no rice receiving range pellets  
(crude protein 9.0%) from Sept. 25 to May 3 produced  
881 kg of crawfish/ha. Ponds with rice receiving  
range pellets from March 1 through May 3 produced  
2016 kg.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/10

WITZIG, J.F. 1980. Spatial and Temporal Patterns of  
Macroinvertebrate Communities in a Small Crawfish  
Pond. M.S. Thesis. LSU, 113 pp.

CBIEH, Y.H. 1980. Effects of Flooding Dates and  
Disposal of Rice Straw on Crawfish, *Procambarus*  
*clarkii* (Girard), Culture in Rice Fields. Ph.D.  
Dissertation. LSU, 120 pp.

WITZIG, J.F., AVAULT JR., J.W. and CONNER, J.V.  
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Emphasis on Predaceous Insects (Abstract Only).  
In Abstr. of Fish Culture Sect. of the Amer.  
Fish. Soc. 14.

CBIEH, Y.H. and AVAULT JR., J.W. 1980. Effects of  
Flooding Dates and Type Disposal of Rice *Oryza*  
*sativa*, Straw on the Crawfish, *Procambarus*  
*clarkii* (Girard), Culture in Rice Fields. In:  
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Effects of Poultry Manures Supplementation to  
Rice/Crawfish Experimental Earthen Ponds. In  
Abstr. of Fish Culture Sect. of the Amer. Fish.  
Soc. 15. (Abstract Only).

UTILIZATION OF AQUATIC PLANTS FOR WASTE TREATMENT AND  
ANIMAL FEEDS

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Proj. No.: LAB01559

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 FEB 71 To 15 MAR 80

OBJECTIVES: To determine the feasibility of utilizing  
aquatic plants for treatment of agricultural and  
domestic waste by removing nitrogen compounds,  
phosphates, and various inorganic salts. To determine  
if plants grown on waste waters have sufficient  
nutrient value and can be produced in large enough  
quantities to warrant use as a feed supplement for  
poultry, swine, cattle, catfish, etc.

APPROACH: Nutrient value will be determined for  
various aquatic plants growing under natural  
conditions. Plants of acceptable nutrient levels will  
be fed to poultry, swine, catfish, etc. to check for  
toxic as well as growth responses. Plants that show  
no signs of toxicity will be placed on water  
containing agricultural and domestic sewage to see if  
they will grow. Nutrient analysis will be made for  
any plants that do grow, and the plants will again be  
fed to domestic animals (5-10% of regular rations),  
to determine if the plants are usable as a food  
supplement. Water quality changes will be recorded  
and related to the usefulness of aquatic plants to  
reduce pollution levels in waste waters.

PROGRESS: 71/02 TO 80/03. Clones of duckweed  
*Spirodela polyrrhiza*, *S. punctata*, *Lemna gibba* and  
*Wolffia columbiana* cultured on dairy waste lagoon  
gave a mean yield of 23,310 kg/ha/yr dry weight when  
harvested daily, or 2.3 kg/m<sup>2</sup>/yr. Maximum yields  
obtained outdoors in .14 m<sup>2</sup> tanks was 44,330 kg/ha  
(4.4m<sup>2</sup>/yr) dry wt. Daily harvests (25-35%  
removed/day) gave higher yields than weekly harvests  
(50% removal). Optimum standing crop density was  
about 500g/m<sup>2</sup>. Loading rates of fresh manure 10 to  
20g/l of water gave maximum growth and highest  
proximate analysis in the plants. Mixed duckweed  
cultures gave higher yields than monocultures due to  
seasonality of growth. Crude protein averaged 38% dry  
wt. with a maximum value of over 44%; fat 3-6%, NFE  
25-35%, fiber 7-13%, P 2%, K 2.5-5%, Ca 1-2%. The  
amino acid content was equal or superior to most high  
protein crops. Annual removal (kg/ha) of plant  
nutrients by duckweed from waste lagoon was: N,  
1379; P, 347; K, 441. Removal efficiency was greater  
in shallow lagoons. 5.3 ha of duckweed would provide  
total protein requirements of 200 lactating cows.  
Preliminary studies on feeding cows (up to 75% of  
diet) and ewes (up to 25% of diet) showed no adverse  
effects of duckweed, wet or dry. Feeding of poultry  
broilers and layers showed no adverse effects, equal  
or improved growth, meat and egg color, and egg  
production and quality. In vitro digestibility ranged  
from 70 to 97%.

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THE RELATIONSHIP OF SALINITY AND DISTANCE FROM THE  
SEA, TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF JUVENILE FISHES



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Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 78 To 31 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine how far inland the young menhaden, genus *Brevoortia*, Atlantic croaker, *Micropogonundulatus*, and spot, *Leiostomus xanthurus*, move in the Barataria Bay drainage. Correlate their abundance and size with the salinities, and the location, where they are caught.

**APPROACH:** A transect about 75 km long contains 15 sample sites. Salinity declines in a northerly direction, from saline or brackish to pure fresh water. Samples will be taken every 2 weeks with a 4.9-m otter trawl. On alternate trips each site will also be sampled with Surface trawl and high speed sampler, or 1.8-m beam trawl and plankton net. Salinity, temperature & water depth will be recorded for each sample. Total biomass, total number, and length of individuals will be recorded for every sample, for menhaden, spot and croaker. Length-frequencies will be analyzed. Abundance at the stations will be analyzed to determine the inland extent of penetration of each species.

**PROGRESS:** 78/01 TO 80/12. Inshore shrimp trawling was the primary cause for a rapid decline in abundance of Atlantic croaker, *Micropogon undulatus*, after May. No relationship between salinity and croaker size was found. Trawl catches of croaker were an order of magnitude greater at night than during the day. Gulf menhaden, *Brevoortia patronus*, and blue crabs, *Callinectes sapidus*, were also taken in significantly greater numbers in nighttime trawls. The surface trawl was more efficient on 5-25 mm crabs than the otter trawl; researchers on small crabs should consider its use. Menhaden and crabs were taken in greater numbers in shallow, protected waters than in larger, open waters within the marsh. All three species were taken well above the brackish/freshwater line; menhaden were taken in numbers at several stations 20 km above. The entire coastal marsh, including the freshwater zone, is an important nursery and should be protected from environmental degradation.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 78/01 TO 80/12

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**PRESENCE, ABUNDANCE, MOVEMENTS, AND HABITAT USAGE OF ESTUARINE-DEPENDENT FISHES AND CRUSTACEANS.**

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Proj. No.: LAB02076 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 20 AUG 79 To 15 AUG 83

**OBJECTIVES:** To determine: seasonal presence and relative abundance of important larval and juvenile organisms entering and leaving Sabine National Wildlife Refuge; their ingress and egress routes; the relative use made of several habitat types, and to search literature for allied information.

**APPROACH:** Traps and plankton nets will be fished 1 to 3 times/week on all (6) major possible migration channels for 3 years. The shallow habitat within the Refuge will be sampled monthly using an airboat for transportation, and whatever gear can be found to work satisfactorily in very shallow water. (Gear type to be determined in preliminary work.) Movements will

be studied using fluorescent marking techniques. All catches will be recorded by species, numbers, lengths, and habitat types, and searched for marks.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Field work began in March 1980. Twenty-six traps have been installed and are now in operation. Trapping and trawling is being conducted on established schedules. Nearly 1/2 million organisms were processed by end of July; about 1/2 were fishes (39 families, 88 species) and the rest were crustaceans (5 families, 10 species). Ingress and egress appears to be mainly from Calcasieu Lake side. Much of the marsh was used as nursery at different times.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.046 CRIS0058808  
**EARLY LIFE HISTORY ECOLOGY AND GROWTH OF THE RIVER SHRIMP *MACROBRACHIUM OHIONE* IN LOUISIANA**

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Proj. No.: LAB01542 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 70 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Describe larval development and post-embryonic growth and molting frequency of river shrimp. Investigate importance of river shrimp in river plankton, as food for human consumption, as fish bait, and as forage.

**APPROACH:** Shrimp larvae will be picked from monthly plankton samples taken in the Mississippi and Atchafalaya Rivers. Descriptions will be made of developmental stages. River shrimp will be reared from eggs through postlarvae in the laboratory under controlled conditions. Representatives of developmental instars will be described and compared with shrimp larvae from plankton. Data will be gathered on molting frequency and growth. Juvenile river shrimp from the wild will be stocked in laboratory aquaria and monitored under controlled conditions. A shrimp landing census of Louisiana shrimpers and fish markets will be conducted.

**PROGRESS:** 75/01 TO 81/06. *Macrobrachium ohione*, *M. acanthurus* and *M. olfersii*, were reared from egg through postlarva in the laboratory. Eggs were obtained from females which mated and spawned in laboratory aquaria. All three species carried their eggs for 14-17 days before hatching and, eggs of each hatched successfully in freshwater but survival past zoeal stage I occurred only in salinities greater than 5 ppt. Larvae were reared in individual containers, in various salinities and temperatures under a photoperiod of 12 hours daylight. Larvae were fed fresh brine shrimp nauplii. For all species survival to premetamorphic stage was high (40%) but through metamorphosis less than 10% survived. One lab-batched male and female *M. acanthurus* survived to maturity and mated. The egg to egg time for the female was 11 months. A field survey of river shrimp (*M. ohione*) in the Mississippi River from Baton Rouge to St. Francisville, Louisiana yielded data on river shrimp ecology consistent with our data on the species from the Atchafalaya River basin. River shrimp are most abundant in the late summer and early fall (August, September, October). Length frequency data over 13 months indicated that one year old female and male shrimp were 65-70 mm total length (TL) and 40-55 mm TL respectively. Total counts of eggs on ovigerous females ranged from 6,300-24,800. Only the first stage larvae and juvenile river shrimp have been taken in plankton collections in the Mississippi and Atchafalaya rivers.

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SURVEY OF LARVAL FISHES IN THE NEARSHORE GULF WATERS OF LOUISIANA

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Proj. No.: LAB01728 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine seasonal species composition of the ichthyoplankton. Determine seasonal, temporal and spatial distribution of eggs and larvae of commercial Sciaenidae particularly croaker. Determine probable areas of major croaker spawning activity and transport routes of croaker larvae. Relate abundances of fish eggs and larvae and selected invertebrate plankters to hydrographic variables.

APPROACH: Plankton samples will be taken seasonally on transects off the Louisiana coast. Standard collecting gear and techniques will be employed. Fish eggs and larvae will be sorted from the samples, identified, and enumerated. Select invertebrate plankters will also be identified and counted. Catches will be expressed as number of organisms under 1 M<sup>2</sup> of sea surface. Correlations will be sought between organismal abundances and hydrographic variables.

PROGRESS: 75/01 TO 80/06. Bongo net (0.505mm) samples were collected on 9 cruises of National Marine Fisheries Service research vessel Oregon II. Collections were made on continental shelf between Mobile Bay and Atchafalaya Bay, Louisiana. Winter (Jan, Feb, Mar) collections yielded more than 38 kinds. Early life history stages of croaker, spot, spotted seatrout and sand seatrout were described. November was the peak spawning month for croaker. Approximately the same number of croaker larvae (1500) were taken in Nov 1974, as in Nov 1975 although only half as many samples were taken in 1975. During both years croaker larvae 2.00-3.99mm standard length (SL) were most abundant approximately 30 km SW of Southwest Pass of the Mississippi River. Larger larvae 4.00-6.99mm SL were most abundant nearer the Louisiana coast during both years. Sand seatrout larvae and two specimens of silver seatrout were taken in a survey of waters 5-74 km from shore during July 1976; spotted seatrout larvae were probably concentrated in unsampled zone within 5km of shore. Larval flatfishes were surveyed during Nov. 1974, Nov. 1975, Jan. 1976, and July 1976. Flatfish larvae occurred at 72% of the stations, but comprised a small portion, from less than 1.0% to 4.1% of the total numbers of ichthyoplankton. Larval reptant decapod crustaceans were surveyed in July 1976. From 33 stations, 60 kinds of macrurans, anomurans and brachyurans representing at least 20 families were recorded.

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001.048 CRIS0083515  
LABORATORY CULTURE FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES OF ESTUARINE AND MARINE LOBSTERS, CRABS AND SHRIMPS

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Proj. No.: LAB02159 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 81 To 30 JUN 86

OBJECTIVES: Rear decapod larvae (lobsters, crabs and shrimps) of as many Louisiana species as possible, from egg through postlarval stages under defined laboratory conditions. Describe and illustrate the developmental stages of each species reared. Compare laboratory reared larvae with corresponding larvae taken in the plankton.

APPROACH: Egg-bearing crabs and shrimps will be collected at coast-wide Louisiana sites. In the laboratory most specimens will be isolated in aquaria under simulated field conditions until eggs hatch; for large species eggs will be removed and hatched in vitro. Rearing procedures will allow the developmental sequence of each larva to be traced; this will entail isolating individual larvae within plastic tray compartments and examining each daily for evidence of molting. Enough larvae will be reared to investigate three salinity/temperature combinations with replication. Daily data on survival, molting, behavior and morphology will be recorded. Larvae will be transferred to compartments with clean water and fresh food (*Artemia* nauplii) each day. Detailed descriptions and drawings of each developmental stage will be made. Comparative descriptions of closely related species will be made to elucidate difference. Laboratory-reared specimens will be compared with plankton-caught larvae in order to develop diagnostic guides for fishery researchers.

001.049 CRIS0078594  
MOVEMENTS OF SONIC-TAGGED FISHES IN RELATION TO WATER QUALITY IN LOWER ATCHAFALAYA RIVER BASIN

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Proj. No.: LAB02023 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 78 To 31 DEC 82

OBJECTIVES: To develop, from the diversity of systems available, a radio tracking system suitable for the study of largemouth bass, *Micropterus salmoides* (Lacepede), black drapple, *Pomoxis nigromaculatus* (Lesueur) and white crappie, *Pomoxis annularis* Rafinesque. To relate movements of largemouth bass and crappies to changes in physicochemical characteristics of water and hydrographic regime in lower Basin habitats. To compare home range dimensions of the largemouth bass and crappies in various habitats. To gain insight into seasonal and diel patterns of movements of the above sport fishes insofar as these movements may be related to water quality variations in the annual hydrographic cycle.

APPROACH: Bass will be electrofished from at least two habitat types in the Atchafalaya River Basin. Radio tags will be implanted surgically and fish will be released immediately. Fish and a physicochemical description of their home ranges will be monitored on a diel and seasonal basis, to gain insight into possible relationships between a changing water quality and fish movements.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The role of water quality in selection of macrohabitats and home ranges of sport fishes has been inferred from laboratory experiments wherein most variables (except one) are held constant. However, a better way to gain insight into water quality preferences may be to follow fishes tagged with telemetry devices while monitoring the water quality in their natural habitat. We surgically implanted radio transmitters in 15 largemouth bass in the Atchafalaya River Basin and tracked them for as many as 117 days. Water temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, specific conductance, and oxidation-reduction potential were recorded at each release site and subsequently, at the previous, and at each new location for each tracking day until the fish was no longer detected. We found that bass preferred a water temperature of 27 degrees C and made significantly more movements toward increasing dissolved oxygen. Other water quality characteristics measured did not appear to influence movements. Most locations of bass were made near shore in water less than 1.5 m deep and neither movements nor home range sizes were associated with river stage unless stages were sufficiently high to inundate the swamp floor.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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001.050 CRIS0062633  
CRAWFISH CULTURE STUDIES IN SMALL PONDS: BURROWING, POLYCULTURE AND NATURAL POND FLOODING

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Proj. No.: LA-X-81-2003-2044 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 TO 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Determine the spatial and seasonal burrowing patterns of crawfish in small, open crawfish ponds. Assess the effectiveness of various techniques for facilitating successful burrowing of crawfish in crawfish ponds. Determine the effects of soil tilling practices on crawfish burrows in crawfish ponds. Determine the commercial feasibility of cultivating channel catfish and crawfish together in small, open south Louisiana crawfish ponds. Determine the commercial feasibility of using rainfall to flood crawfish ponds in south Louisiana.

APPROACH: Objectives 1, 2, 4 and 5 will be pursued in the four, one acre crawfish ponds located at Southern University. Objective 3 will be pursued in a nearby commercial pond. During the first two years, burrows will be marked and mapped on a biweekly basis and several types of materials will be tested to determine their effectiveness as burrowing facilitators. Also, during the first two years, marked burrows will be subjected to disking and tractor-bush hog compaction early and late during the dry season to determine their impact on the occupants. In years 2 and 3, channel catfish will be stocked in test ponds after they have been filled with water in the fall. Catfish production and catfish impact on crawfish production will be recorded. In years 4 and 5, test ponds will be permitted to fill naturally in the fall and winter. The impact on this action on crawfish production will be measured.

001.051 CRIS0060712  
METABOLISM AND FUNCTION OF CELLULAR LIPIDS

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Proj. No.: ME08752 Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 78 TO 30 SEP 86

OBJECTIVES: Analysis of lipid and lipid enzymes in detergent-resistant and pigmentation mutants of *M. lysodeikticus*. Studies of lipid composition and lipid identification in marine caulobacter species. The effect of herpesvirus infection on the lipid metabolism of cultured animal and human cells.

APPROACH: Comparative studies between wild-type and detergent resistant mutants are planned to elucidate the mechanism of resistance and the relationship between resistance and the lipid composition by analyzing the changes in lipid composition during growth in the presence of different levels of detergent. Pigmentation mutants will be compared with respect to lipid composition and fatty acid analysis. Evidence has accumulated which indicates that *Caulobacter halobacteroides* and other marine caulobacters have an unusual lipid composition. We propose to identify the glycolipids of these organisms, analyze isolated membranes, and determine if typical phospholipid biosynthetic pathways play a role in the metabolism of these organisms. A study of the effects of MDV infection on cellular lipid composition and the breakdown and synthesis of cholesterol ester in an in vitro, primary cell system is planned. Vascular smooth muscle and cardiac muscle cell cultures will be infected with MDV and HTV cell-associated viruses.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. In studies of Triton X-100 (TX) resistant mutants of *M. lysodeikticus*, a comparison of the release of label from wild-type and mutant cells suggested that it was not the penetration of the detergent through the cell walls that was responsible for resistance. The lipid compositions of the wild-type and mutant were different when grown in the absence of TX. The lipid alterations during growth of the mutant in the presence and absence of TX were significantly different, indicating that the presence of TX does affect the regulation of lipid composition and metabolism. Experiments designed to determine differences between two pigmented mutants and the wild-type of *M. lysodeikticus* were undertaken. The wild-type contains derivatives of the yellow carotenoid, neurosporene; the pink mutant was shown to have large amounts of lycopene; and the white mutants has only trace amounts of visible pigments. Since it had been suggested that carotenoids may act to reinforce the membrane bilayer, we compared the growth rates of these three cultures at different temperatures. All three cultures had the same optimal growth temperature, 35C. The pink mutants, however, had a more narrow temperature growth range. Studies of the lipid composition of the marine bacterium, *Caulobacter halobacteroides*, indicate that this organism contains little, if any, phospholipid; most of the extractable lipid being glycolipid. The nature of this glycolipid is currently being investigated.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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DISTRIBUTION, ABUNDANCE AND ECOLOGY OF ASCOPYLLUM NODOSUM (1) LE JOIS

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Proj. No.: ME08459 Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 FEB 74 TO 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine: Distribution and abundance patterns of *A. nodosum* in Maine, growth, reproductive, age and biomass patterns on exposed, semi-exposed and sheltered shores; biomass of *Fucus* spp., value of aerial photography and infrared film for *A. nodosum* surveys; methods to enhance colonization of *A. nodosum*; harvestable yields of *A. nodosum*.



APPROACH: Ferment and radnomly selected sites will be utilized to survey the algal resource and study growth patterns. Samples will be taken seasonally. Experimental studies on colonization will be conducted in situ and in simulated tide cycles in running seawater tanks.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Four study areas were established in 1980 making a total of six in two major areas (Northeast and Southeast) of the coast. The percent cover and biomass of *Ascophyllum* and *Fucus* spp. were determined in belt transects and in 10 x 100 cm quadrats, respectively. Samples were stratified by intertidal height. Biomass and growth and density of plants and apical growing points were measured to determine growth and productivity potentials. Reproductive output was measured in Fall 1980 for plants at the six sites. Data measurements are nearly complete for these sites (through Fall 1980). Computer programming and analysis will be initiated in spring 1981. Field colonization studies involving *Ascophyllum* during 1980 were not successful. Only a few recruits developed (to 2-5 mm) from approximately 130 experimental plots involving millions of fertilized eggs. Some promising leads will be followed up during 1981. Colonization experiments in running sea water from these same eggs showed excellent growth and survival for 1 to 2 months until adversely affected by sedimentation.

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MATHEMATICAL MODEL OF OYSTER POPULATION IN THE  
CHESAPEAKE BAY

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Proj. No.: MD-K-057 Project Type: HAICB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop a bank of pertinent data to study oyster productivity in the Maryland portion of the Chesapeake Bay. Develop a mathematical model for describing the production function of oysters, this model will incorporate economic and management factors affecting the productivity of an oyster bar. Evaluate the effectiveness of the oyster repletion program in Maryland and suggest means of optimizing the operation.

APPROACH: A data bank will be established incorporating oyster catch, effort and spatfall data, and seed and shell planting data. This data will be stored on computer tape and coded so data is available by bar and is accessible by river basin code, oyster bar code, Davis code, NCAA code, by latitude and longitude or by official or common bar name. This and other data will be used to develop an oyster demand equation, catch effort equation and production function. The effects of existing catch limits will be determined. Existing oyster population size will be estimated and management alternatives determined.

PROGRESS: 77/11 TO 80/09. A computerized data bank was developed which contains Maryland oyster seed and shell plantings by bar from 1964 to 1975, natural oyster spatfall for 1955 to 1975, harvest and effort for 1964 to 1975 and several more general economic statistics such as ex-vessel price of oysters. The Maryland portion of the Chesapeake Bay was divided into 6 general areas. Production functions relating catch to effort, lagged spatfall, seed and shell plantings, were developed for each area. Fresh shell was the most successful cultch material with dredge shell being less efficient in catching spat. Seed plantings produced 12 to 19 bushels of marketable oysters per 100 bushels of seed planted depending on the area planted. The State run oyster repletion

program returned about 300,000 bushels of marketable oysters per year for the approximately \$1,000,000 annual expenditure. Estimates of oyster population were made for each of the six areas for the beginning of the 1975-76 harvest year using the Leslie and DeLury equations. Calculated rates of resource exploitation varied from 17 to 31 percent, depending on the area. Demand equations developed indicated oysters had an unitary demand elasticity. Effort equations developed showed that the boat-days of harvesting effort were stable over time for most river systems.

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PHYSIOLOGY OF CHESAPEAKE BAY PHYTOPLANKTON

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Proj. No.: MD-K-013 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 75 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Characterization of the major food and oxygen producing plants supporting the seafood industry of Maryland is the major objective. Environmental factors including light, nutrients, temperature, energy, and interspecific interactions will be measured.

APPROACH: The research will be carried out primarily from the University of Maryland. Some work on the Chesapeake Bay will be necessary to obtain samples. Controlled natural, and possible variations in the environment will be introduced in naturally occurring and cultured communities. Initial investigations will concentrate on growth, production, and pigmentation. Absorbance, spectrophotometry, oxygen determination, and carbon uptake techniques will be used with cultured phytoplankton.

PROGRESS: 75/05 TO 80/09. Three algae from the Chesapeake Bay were characterized in terms of their gravel rate response to various environmental conditions of light, temperature, nutrition and salinity. The effects of grazing at various phases of growth was measured in a fourth algae. Results of the grazing work showed that as net primary production decreased from exponential phase to declining phase to stationary phase that an equal level of grazing removed an increasing proportion of net primary production from each phase. The golden-brown planktivorous alga, *Pseudopedinella pyriforme* grew best between 2 1/2 and 5 g/kg salinity. *Mychozastes ruminatus*, a unicellular alga grew best between 10 and 20 g/kg salinity at 0.78 m W/cm white light, and 25C. The phytoplankton, *Nannochloris oculata* had a maximal growth rate at 30 C, 15 g/kg salinity, and 1.35 m W/cm white light on ammonium. The nitrogen source showing the best growth was dependent on interactions among the physical parameters of the environment. It is concluded that the production of Chesapeake Bay and the species composition of the primary plants will depend on the management of the environmental parameters affected by nutritional pollution, sedimentation, temperature manipulation and salinity control.

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BIOSYNTHESIS OF STEROLS IN THE OYSTER AND CORRELATION OF STEROL COMPOSITION TO CYSTER PRODUCTIVITY

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Proj. No.: ME-J-114 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSFS Period: 01 JAN 81 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Data from several sources indicate that oysters synthesize only a fraction of their total sterol. Analysis of fast growing oysters from Cape Batteras indicates that the Chesapeake Bay oyster could, in some cases, be deficient in total sterol composition. Inadequate algae or the wrong kind of algae in the diet could cause this deficiency. The extent of sterol biosynthesis in the oyster will be determined. Cysters from different bars with different degrees of success will be compared with respect to their sterol content. "Good food" algae will also be examined to determine which sterols they contribute to the cyster's diet.

APPROACH: Cyster samples will be analyzed by standard methods for sterol composition. These samples will be taken from oyster bars showing a great diversity of characteristics with respect to growth rate, spat set, shell growth, and general health of the oyster. An attempt will be made to correlate sterol composition with these characteristics. To determine if the oyster can synthesize sterols, oyster tissue cultures will be incubated with labeled acetate and the sterols isolated and examined. Algae will be examined for sterol composition to determine if sterols correlate with the desirability of certain algae as oyster food.

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MORPHOLOGICAL, ULTRASTRUCTURAL, AND BIOCHEMICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF NANOPLANKTON FROM CHESAPEAKE BAY

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Proj. No.: MD-K-016 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Screen various nanoplankton organisms already brought into culture from the Chesapeake Bay, in order to select for "new" organisms--those which cannot be identified through use of standard keys. Study in detail the morphology and microanatomy of the organisms selected as above in order to determine their taxonomic affinities. Characterize the photosynthetic pigments of these organisms, particularly the chlorophylls, the presence or absence of phycobilins, and the xanthophylls, in order to determine their taxonomic affinities. Characterize the biochemical composition of these organisms, especially the protein and lipid composition, in order to evaluate the organism as food for Chesapeake Bay shellfish.

APPROACH: Screening procedures involve morphological description by light microscopy, a scan of the major pigments by acetone-extraction techniques and a cursory examination by transmission electron microscopy, sufficient to determine the basic cytological condition of the organism. In-depth studies by light, scanning electron and transmission electron microscopy will be done in order to produce definitive descriptions of these organisms. Pigments

will be studied by photospectrophometric scanning of acetone extract, and by both thin layer and column separation and extraction procedures. Total protein composition will be determined by Kjeldahl analysis and lipid analysis will be performed by standard extraction methods followed by thin layer and gas chromatography.

PROGRESS: 77/10 TO 80/09. Over thirty species of *Chlorella* have been examined for sterol and fatty acid composition. The major fatty acids were palmitic, oleic, linoleic and linolenic. Some strains had major quantities of palmitoleic as well as di- and triunsaturated sixteen carbon acids. Tetra-unsaturated acids with 16 and 18 carbons were found in a few strains. *Chlorella* could be divided into 3 major groups based on sterol compositions: Delta 5-sterols Delta 7-sterols Delta 5, 7-sterols. One strain contained Delta 5, 8-sterols, which are extremely rare in living organisms. These lipid constituents show promise as biochemical markers for taxonomic groupings. Most of the *Chlorella* species and strains would appear to be unlikely as oyster food based on their sterol composition and that of the oyster. Several diatoms which are of the proper size for ingestion by the oyster, appear to have the same sterol composition as the oyster, indicating that they could be the oyster's food source.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/10 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

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ACTIVITY RHYTHMS OF THE NORTHERN ROCK CRAB IN RELATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL FACTORS

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Proj. No.: MDX-PR-0001-URP31/73 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 25 MAY 73 To 24 MAY 78

OBJECTIVES: Develop a simple and accurate way to measure activity rhythms in *Cancer borealis* and determine the importance and effect of photoperiod, tidal cycle, temperature, salinity, age, sex and stage of the reproductive and molting cycles on its activity and movements.

APPROACH: Crabs will be maintained under varying regimes of temperature, salinity, photoperiod and tidal cycle. The crabs will be tested in aquaria utilizing photocells connected to a recording device to measure activity under these different conditions. Observations will be made on crabs of both sexes, various ages and different physiological states, such as molt phase and reproductive condition, determine how these factors effect responses to solar and lunar rhythms. A knowledge of these factors and periods of optimum activity should provide basic information to the crabbing industry in relation to the timing and techniques of harvesting this species. This study might also lead to the ability to advance the reproductive season or increase the number of annual reproductive periods in *C. borealis* and, therefore, make commercial aquaculture of crabs a profitable venture.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Data obtained from measurements of locomotor activity of *Cancer irroratus* held under varying photoperiods is presently being reanalyzed to determine if size or stage of the molt cycle influenced the amplitude or periodicity of activity.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.058 CRIS0075003  
BEHAVIOR ECOLOGY AND REPRODUCTIVITY IN THE ROCK CRABS, *CANCER IRRORATUS* AND *CANCER ECREALIS*, PHASE II

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Proj. No.: MDX-PR-0001-URP53      Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 27 FEB 78 To 26 FEB 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine influence of tidal and/or geophysical rhythms or activity of rock crabs. Determine relative influences of photophase & scotophase on molting of rock crabs. Determine effect of short & long day photoperiods on growth, molting & reproduction. Record seasonal distribution of age classes, sexes & molt stage individuals. Develop optimum diet for growth & maintenance & develop a delivery system for diet.

**APPROACH:** Encourage local utilization of rock crab as an alternate or supplement to blue crab. Correlate observed activity rhythms with tidal, barometric, humidity, magnetic flux cycles. Varying length & proportions of light & dark periods to determine influence on molting. Utilizing less than or greater than 24 hour days in laboratory environment. Utilizing tag and recapture studies at monthly intervals aboard a coastal vessel. Automated system for delivery of optimum protein, fiber & mineral content of presently used nutritional pellets will be developed. Interviews, free samples & information on location & abundance of rock crabs might increase local utilization of rock crab meat.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Previous work (Rebach, 1977, and in preparation) indicates that length of photoperiod and light: dark ratios are controlling factors in courtship, reproduction and molting of the rock crab, *Cancer irroratus*. The newly opened Crab Lab, a converted 70 foot house trailer, has a water treatment facility and 5 laboratories with running seawater and computer-controlled photoperiods. Tanks and electronic instrumentation have been designed, constructed and tested to allow the test animal to select the duration of light and dark in one laboratory. Total hours of light and dark and light: dark ratios are monitored. Another laboratory allows the animal to control the intensity of illumination. In 1980, after correcting many problems and improving the water delivery and treatment facilities (to produce adequate flow rates to maintain the animals), we were able to introduce our first group of animals. Pilot studies led to further refinement of light control mechanisms in the test tanks. These studies indicated that the animals were able to control the photoperiod and intensity in their respective laboratories. We are now ready to initiate full-scale testing. In order to determine the locations of marketable numbers of animals, a tag-recapture program is planned. However, spaghetti tags injected into the crabs' muscle resulted in a 40% mortality rate in the laboratory. This level is too high for a successful tag and recapture program.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**BEHAVIOR, ECOLOGY AND RHYTHMICITY IN THE COMMON ROCK CRAB**

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Proj. No.: MDX-PR-0001-URP49      Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 15 MAR 76 To 14 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop a method to maintain crabs under laboratory conditions for prolonged periods. Develop a simple and accurate method to measure activity rhythms. Determine the importance and effect of photoperiod, tidal cycle, temperature, salinity, age, sex and stage of reproductive and molt cycles on activity and movement. Study population structure and the distribution of *Cancer irroratus*. Determine the nutritional requirements of experimental animals.

**APPROACH:** Design and construct a recirculating, temperature-controlled activity testing facility. Design infrared photoelectric cell sensors, amplify signal, record and collect data. Measure activity rhythms under varying conditions of photoperiod, tidal cycle, temperature, salinity, age, sex, reproductive and molt cycles. Develop a high-protein pelletized diet and compare to other feeds that might

be used in commercial mariculture of crustacea. Analyze population structure utilizing catch data on size, sex ratio, and distribution in various local areas.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. In studies of the ecology and behavior of the common rock crab (*Cancer irroratus*) (Rebach, 1977, 1978) conducted in the laboratory, it was necessary to maintain 20 to 50 animals for periods in excess of one year. A pelletized diet developed by the principal investigator was compared to other diets fed to the crabs and resulted in greater weight gain, lower mortality and greater molt success in the laboratory. The high levels of calcium and phosphate maythion diet may contribute to molt success and survival. It has been hypothesized that the physical form and high water stability of the pellets were especially suited to benthic decapod crustaceans. The pellets can be stored in the laboratory for indefinite periods, are easy to handle and can be adapted to mechanical delivery systems.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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001.060      CRIS0075621  
**ECOLOGY OF FISHES AND LIMNOLOGY OF UPPER GREAT LAKES AND TRIBUTARIES IN RELATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

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Proj. No.: MICH01312      Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 JUN 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Understand the biology and ecology of fishes in near-shore waters of Lake Michigan near Ludington, Michigan, and in selected tributaries of Lake Michigan. Examine limnological aspects in these waters including temperature, water transparency, turbidity, dissolved oxygen, and benthos. Relate findings to impacts of resource utilization, and to agencies responsible for the management of important sport and commercial fish species.

**APPROACH:** Sample adult, juvenile, and larval fishes using standard gill nets, trawls, seivee, and meter nets during ice-free periods. Identify species and record total numbers and weights for each method. Record length, weight, sex and age for individuals of all species and determine food habits and fecundity for selected species. Determine limnological parameters at location of fish sampling sites.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies continued in four areas: impacts on Lake Michigan fisheries from the Ludington Pumped Storage Power Plant; ecology of connecting waters between Lakes Superior and Huron (St. Mary's River) in relation to winter navigation; fish stock assessment in Whitefish Bay, Lake Superior; ecology of fish in the Red Cedar River. Losses of larval, juvenile, and adult fishes (mainly alewives, smelt, and salmonids) were greater at Ludington than for any other existing power plants on Lake Michigan. Regulatory agencies are now using results to determine a mitigation policy for Michigan. Forty-seven fish species use the St. Mary's River, and young of important sport fish depend upon aquatic plants in shallow water for food and protection. Shallow areas are most likely to be impacted from winter shipping. Adult fish were dominated by lake herring, yellow perch, smelt, northern pike, and white sucker. At least 18 species spawn successfully in the St. Mary's River. Commercial catches of whitefish in Whitefish Bay were comprised mainly of Ages V, VI, and VII fish. Average catch was 69.7 kg. Results are used by the U.S. Department of Interior to assess stocksize.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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**ECOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT OF STREAM AND STREAM FISHES**

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Proj. No.: MICL01169 Project Type: EATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 24 JAN 74 To 23 JAN 84

**OBJECTIVES:** Identify physical features of microhabitat for stream dwelling fishes, e.g. trout, salmon, smallmouth bass and various forage fishes. Test microhabitat selection by stream fishes. Analyse effects of channel morphometry and stream flow on carrying capacity and production of fish. Develop information on the relationship of habitat heterogeneity and biotic diversity in flowing water environments. Analyse and publish stream research data collected during the last 19 years.

**APPROACH:** Physical and biotic measurements will be conducted on natural streams. Artificial channels will be built and in them the results from natural streams tested under controlled conditions.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. In a study of competition between juvenile salmonids for stream microhabitat, we tested the relationship between water velocity differential (difference in velocity the fish faces and the greatest velocity within 60 cm) and body growth for coho salmon. The relation was linear. By modeling energy needs for maintaining position at various water velocities and energy available as invertebrate food at various surrounding water velocities, we found that abundance of drifting food affects affects position quality. Therefore, experiments to measure net energy gain were done separately for coho salmon and brown trout by comparing positions held by the fish in terms of water velocity differential, abundance of drifting food, and body growth. The results will provide a basis for three sets of ecological-release experiments involving pairs of species (coho-brown, coho-brook, brook-brown). In a study of the effects of suddenly and massively increasing instream cover for brook trout by felling brush into five 200m test sections in a stream, physical measurements showed channel narrowing of 11-35% (n=10 subsections), 5.8% avg increase in water depth, 25% avg increase in water velocity, and substantial scouring of sand off of streambed gravel. The effects on the trout population are being monitored. A study of effects of installing simple overhead covers on another trout stream is also being done.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**COMPARATIVE PHYSIOLOGICAL STUDIES OF VERTEBRATE EYES**

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Agency ID: CSVMV-0012 Period: 01 DEC 77 To 30 NOV 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Provide an anatomical description of the teleost chroidal rete mirabile, to determine the influence of hyper- and hypobaric oxygen tensions on teleost retinas and investigate the regulation of the countercurrent multiplier, and investigate the phenomenon of oxygen toxicity.

**APPROACH:** Test tissue fixation techniques to obtain higher quality photomicrographs and extend studies of the ultrastructure of the chroidal rete to species other than rainbow trout. Develop an assay for superoxide dismutase (SOD) in poikilothermic ocular tissues and investigate the influence of hypertaric oxygen on Na-K-Mg ATPase activity from retinal homogenates and determine the effect of altered respiratory perfusion on the macular F0(2) generated in vivo and the critical P0(2) necessary to maintain the EAG of in vitro retinal preparations.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The overall objectives for the total project are as follows: (a) identify cellular and metabolic sites of oxygen toxicity in the retina, (b) identify mechanisms of protection against oxygen toxicity, and (c) continue studies on the intraocular oxygen gradients in the teleost. A comparative study of the distribution of superoxide dismutase (SOD) as it relates to oxygen partial pressure and oxidative metabolism of retinal tissue will allow us to speculate on the importance of this enzyme in protection against oxygen toxicity. In order to correlate the Na-K-Mg ATPase and SCD data, precise intraretinal oxygen profiles will have to be determined. To further verify the role of SCD as a protective agent against C(2) toxicity studies on enzyme induction in retinal tissue following hyperbaric oxygen exposure will be undertaken. Photoinduced free radical formation has been implicated in cataractogenesis in some species. A comparative study of the effects of sunlight on lens function and metabolism will be undertaken, with specific emphasis on the role of superoxide free radicals. Recent evidence links organophosphate defoliants to lenticular dysfunction and other neuropathies. The exact nature and pharmacological mechanism of this toxicity is unknown and will be investigated.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**ECOLOGY, POPULATION DYNAMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF MULTI-SPECIES FISH RESOURCES OF LARGE LAKES**

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Proj. No.: MIN-17-077 Project Type: EATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** To develop an improved biological basis for the management of the fish communities of large lakes through an increased understanding of interspecific relationships; analysis of the role of fishery exploitation in the dynamics of fish communities; and use of simulation modelling to explore the impact of management measures on the structure and productivity of fish communities.

**APPROACH:** The response of lake whitefish to predation by sea lampreys will be estimated by analysis of stock dynamics prevailing during the years preceding and following lamprey control. The role of fishery exploitation will be examined with respect to its effects in competition with lampreys for available whitefish and as a singular force of mortality on smelt. Results of these studies will be synthesized into simulation models for the exploration of management strategies appropriate to multi-species fish communities.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980 the biological basis for management of lake whitefish (*Coregonus clupeaformis*) was examined with respect to stock discreteness in Canadian waters of Lake Huron. Data from tagging studies together with electrophoretic, morphometric and meristic data were analyzed to determine the utility of these approaches in defining stock discreteness. Recoveries of tagged fish indicated the existence of at least 11 stocks differing sufficiently in their population characteristics that yield to the fishery could be significantly influenced by stock-specific management. Electrophoretic analyses indicated that genetic differences between lake Huron stocks were fewer than those detected between lake Huron and



inland lake populations. Morphological characteristics were relatively insensitive indicators of stock discreteness. Estimates of the influence of lamprey predation on one of these stocks and a preliminary analysis of lamprey stock structure in the Great Lakes were published in 1980. An analysis of the effects of exploitation on smelt (*Osmerus morox*) was initiated in 1980 with an examination of gillnet selectivity. Comparison of length distribution from graded mesh experimental nets indicated that mesh sizes greater than 38 cm. (stretched measure) were relatively unselective with respect to smelt size. Tabulation of historical data and verification of ages from scale samples will be completed in 1981.

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#### 001.064 CRIS0075751 LIFE HISTORY AND POPULATION DYNAMICS OF TILEFISH, LOPHOLATILUS CHAMAELEONTICUS

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Proj. No.: NJ12403 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 78 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop the biological basis for management of the tilefish *Lopholatilus chamaeleonticeps*.

APPROACH: We will identify stocks and study life history of populations of the Middle Atlantic Bight and determine population dynamics. Specimens will be obtained from the New Jersey recreational and commercial fisheries and research cruises. Electrophoretic examination of eye, liver and muscle proteins and meristic and morphometric data will be used to delineate stocks. Scales, otoliths, vertebrae and fin spines will be used for studies of age and growth. Length frequency data from the commercial fishery and derived age/length keys will be used to construct catch curves and estimate mortality rates. Catch and angler effort data for the New Jersey recreational fishery will be obtained from vessel operators. Gonad samples for studies of reproduction will be collected from the commercial and recreational fishery.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. We have completed the basic analysis of age and growth. The maximum age of females was 36 years for an 87 cm individual, while the oldest male was 28 years of age at 108 cm. The largest female was 95 cm at 29 years, and the largest male was 112 cm at 22 years. Growth of approximately 10 cm per year was observed for the first five years, after which it slowed. An investigation of most aspects of reproduction was initiated. Analysis of visual maturity staging, ovum diameter distributions and gonosomatic indices indicate that serial spawning occurs from May to October. Ova are matured (1.30 mm diameter) and released in several hatches per season; a typical (600 mm) female may release 1-2 million ova per year. Large numbers of small developing ova have been observed in the ovary after final spawning. Most females mature at 520-570 mm, while most males reach 620-710 mm before maturing. Sex distribution is skewed toward males at large size, apparently due to early maturation and subsequent slowing of growth by females, but sex ratio does not differ from 1:1 for the population. Predorsal adipose flap size becomes sexually dimorphic in adult fish, with mature males

developing enlarged flaps.

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#### 001.065 CRIS0079854 FEEDING ECOLOGY OF FISHES UTILIZING MARSHES ALTERED FOR CONTROL OF SALT MARSH MOSQUITOES

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Proj. No.: NJ40503 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 70 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: To study the feeding ecology of salt marsh fishes with emphasis on their role as mosquito predators.

APPROACH: Survey of fishes utilizing salt marsh altered for mosquito control. Study the food habits of the dominant species as determined from the survey in order to determine the most effective mosquito predator. Identification of larval fishes which occur in mosquito breeding areas because these may be important predators on the early mosquito instars.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Fish populations were sampled throughout the year in both natural marshes and marshes that have been altered for mosquito control. Fish species composition varied between study sites with a typical freshwater assemblage common at sites with freshwater or lower salinities and typical estuarine assemblage at high salinities. *Fundulus heteroclitus*, *F. luciae* and *Cyprinodon variegatus* were dominant estuarine fish while freshwater dominate species were *F. daphanus*, *Gambusia affinis*, *Lepomis gibbosus* and *Notemigonus crysoleucas*. Seasonal changes in both salinity and faunal populations were noted in impoundments.

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#### 001.066 CRIS0078908 OVERBOARD DISPOSAL STUDY

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Proj. No.: NJ32501 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the effects of overboard disposal of dredge spoil on the benthic macroinvertebrate community with particular emphasis on the hard clam, *Mercenaria mercenaria*.

APPROACH: In Ahsecon Creek, where channel dredging is required for navigation purposes, two study areas have been selected. Following an initial baseline study of both areas, one area has been partially covered by dredge spoil; the second has been held largely undisturbed as a control area. Follow-up studies will be centered largely on recolonization of the spoil area. At selected stations a minimum of 7 Peterson or ponar grabs will be taken and sieved. All +1 mm organisms will be sorted out, identified and counted to enable description of community structure, diversity and biomass. Complete sampling of all areas will be done quarterly. Experimental plantings of small clams before and periodically after dredging

will permit detailed studies of the effect of dredging on mortalities, growth and condition. Invertebrate data will be supplemented by water quality studies and geological studies designed to determine effects of dredging disturbance on nutrient releases from the bottom and stability of bottom as it affects survival and growth of clam.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Overboard disposal of dredge spoil has resulted in a dramatic effect on benthic infaunal polychaetes. Water chemistry (nutrients), benthic nutrient cycling, sediment structure, and benthic invertebrate communities all were affected. Some effects were transitory. Effects upon nutrient regeneration from bottom sediments, structure of bottom sediments, and benthic invertebrates in the dredge spoil have persisted. The Control Site and the Dredged Channel Site showed marked differences in nutrient cycling and in the benthic invertebrate community following dredging. Both have since returned to pre-dredge levels. The Dredge Spoil Site remains in a disturbed condition with respect to the sediments, nutrient cycling, and the invertebrate community. Regeneration of ammonium-N from bottom muds is suppressed below the rates observed in the Control Site and in the Dredged Channel Site. Counts of benthic invertebrates remain high and the dominant organisms exhibit both wide fluctuations in numbers and higher counts than during the pre-dredge time. Species make-up at the Dredge Spoil Site is unstable. Different species have shown explosive growth in numbers at different times but not according to a particular sequence. At this time it is not possible to estimate when stability will be reached.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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A MULTI-INSTITUTIONAL APPROACH TO THE IDENTIFICATION OF BIVALVE LARVAE

LUTZ E A; OYSTER CULTURE; RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY. 08903.  
Proj. No.: NJ32401 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 80 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Publish a comprehensive scientific monograph/practical manual for the identification of bivalve larvae (through routine optical microscopic examination of the larval hinge apparatus) in estuaries and coastal marine waters of the North Atlantic.

APPROACH: Bivalve larvae will be reared in the laboratory. Specimens will be sacrificed daily during all stages of larval and early post-larval development. Detailed photographic sequences of larval hinge development will be prepared using optical and scanning electron microscopic techniques.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Samples of bivalve larvae cultured under hatchery conditions have been obtained for the following species: the American oyster, *Crassostrea virginica*, the hard clam, *Mercenaria mercenaria*, the ocean quahog, *Arctica islandica*, and the ribbed mussel, *Geukensia demissa*. We are presently in the process of mounting these larval specimens on platforms for scanning electron microscopic examination. Complete photographic growth sequences of these are being assembled and will be included in the larval identification manual which we are proposing to prepare. A formal proposal entitled Identification of Bivalve Larvae: A Multi-Institutional Approach has been prepared and submitted to the Office of Sea Grant for funding commencing May 1, 1981. Cooperative efforts have been initiated with Dr. Roger Mann of Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution and Mr. Michael Castagna of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. We are working closely with these individuals in our larval rearing work and will continue to obtain larval specimens of various species from their hatchery and laboratory culture operations.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

JABLONSKI, D. and LUTZ, R.A. 1980. Molluscan Larval Shell Morphology: Ecological and Paleontological Applications. In: Skeletal Growth of Aquatic Organisms (Eds. Rhoads, D.C. and Lutz, R.A.). pp. 323-377. Plenum Press: New

001.068 CRIS0068014  
AGE AND GROWTH OF FISH; A FIELD AND LABORATORY APPROACH

BROTHERS E B; ECOLOGY AND SYSTEMATICS SEC; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-163312 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 SEP 78

OBJECTIVES: Develop and refine an improved technique to analyze the growth history of larval and adult fish; and secondly apply this method in studies of the life history and population ecology of fish.

APPROACH: Examine the fine structure of fish otoliths; i.e. for daily growth increments. The approach will include a detailed study of the mechanics of otolith growth, using histological preparations, the scanning electron microscope, and chemical analysis. The second aspect of the project will compare results from natural populations and laboratory reared individuals maintained in a variety of photoperiod, thermal, and feeding regimes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Age and growth data derived from measurements of otolith microstructure have been applied in the following studies: Spawning and recruitment periodicity was studied in the french grunt (*Haemulon flavolineatum*) in St. Croix, U.S.V.I. Daily otolith ages of post-larval grunts revealed a distinct lunar periodicity for spawning and the early life history. These data are to be compared with detailed recruitment surveys carried out by Dr. William McFarland (Cornell Univ.) Age determination of newly recruiting sirago gobies (*Sicydium plumieri*) to Puerto Rican rivers has demonstrated spawning periodicity tightly synchronized with the occurrence of the full and new moon. Larvae spawned in the rivers then spend 50 to over 80 days at sea before mass migrating upstream (with Dr. Donald Erdman, Univ. of Puerto Rico). An age and growth study of Lake Ontario freshwater eels was completed with S. Pearse and new studies were initiated on Georgia eels (with Dr. Gene Helfman, Univ. of Georgia). Processing of tropical marine fish larvae and juveniles continued in ongoing studies of reproductive biology. Additional samples of larval and juvenile gag (*Mycteroperca microlepis*) were processed to complete data collection and analysis. A paper is in preparation describing the early growth, reproductive timing and juvenile ecology of this species (with D. Johnson, Institute of Marine Resources, and M. Leiby, Florida Dept. of Nat. Resources).

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.069 CRIS0069891  
THE FINE STRUCTURE OF FISH OTOLITHS: ENDOGENOUS AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

BROTHERS E B; ECOLOGY AND SYSTEMATICS SEC; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-183409 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 MAR 76 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Examine the fine structure of fish otoliths, particularly for larvae and juveniles; determine the internal and external factors controlling the pattern of daily growth increment formation, and develop methods for collecting data on the early life history of fish by means of otolith examination. This combined laboratory and field approach will provide important insight into a critical aspect of fisheries management.



APPROACH: See Item No. 24.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies of otolith microstructure have been applied in several studies of natural populations. These studies attempt to relate laboratory findings on the effects to endogenous factors, such as temperature, to observed otolith growth patterns. The data are analyzed to obtain information on small and large scale movements of the fish during their life history. Salmonid fishes from controlled flow, bottom-release reservoir fed rivers were examined to determine the effects of "unnatural" water temperature on these fishes. It was found that the human controlled temperature regime made a clear imprint on otolith microstructure, and that resident fishes versus those migratory from feeder streams could be distinguished. Otolith microstructure was examined for a series of tidepool populations of the three spine stickleback (*Gasterosteus aculeatus*) on Appledore Island, Maine. Temperature of these highly variable pools was monitored and initial laboratory work is attempting to correlate subdaily microstructure patterns between individual fish and with patterns of eeler warming and tidal inundation. Preliminary surveys of Pacific coast salmon (genus *Oncorhynchus*) is attempting to relate otolith microstructure to stock identification of natural and stocked fishes. Preliminary results have demonstrated our ability to determine time and age at stocking for silver salmon.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.070 CRIS0081838  
APPLICATION OF OTOLITH MICROSTRUCTURAL DATA TO  
STUDIES OF THE EARLY LIFE HISTORY OF FISHES

BROTHERS E B; ECOLOGY AND SYSTEMATICS SEC; CORNELL  
UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-183416 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSWS Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To analyze and determine the significance of subdaily growth increments in the otoliths of larval and juvenile fishes; to apply this knowledge to understanding the ecology and behavior of these early life stages; to describe and interpret the microstructural otolith patterns with respect to age, growth history, and timing of reproduction and recruitment in coral reef fishes.

APPROACH: Correlation of microscopic examination of otoliths with direct observation, environmental measurement, and laboratory manipulation of larval and juvenile fishes.

001.071 CRIS0068972  
FUNCTIONAL MORPHOLOGY OF INVERTEBRATE ORGAN SYSTEMS

ANDERSON J M; FACTOR J R; GENETICS DEV AND PHYSIOL  
SEC; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-185315 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 75 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Elucidation of the relationship of structure to function in various organ-systems of selected invertebrate animals; supply structural details basic to an understanding of fundamental biological processes in poorly-studied groups.

APPROACH: Anatomical, histological, and electron microscopical techniques are applied as appropriate in moving from the gross, through the microscopical, to the ultrastructural level, and structural details so revealed are correlated with functional aspects where these are known. Subjects in which such an approach has been used include feeding and digestion in several species of seastars (asteroidea), and the reproductive system in several other asteroids; a further current project involves study of progressive changes in feeding and digestive organs through several successive early larval stages of lobsters.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/09. See star digestive systems: This study involved an examination of functional anatomy in the digestive system of the large tropical sea-star *Creaster reticulatus*, not previously studied from this standpoint. The gross structure of all the component organs was described in detail and compared with that of other species in related families. The general features suggest adaptation to a variety of feeding techniques, including collection of suspended particulate matter as well as extra- and intra-corporeal digestion of macroscopic food. Histological and histochemical studies concentrating on characteristics of the lining epithelium in all parts other than the cardiac stomach revealed specific, consistent patterns in the distribution of various types of secretory cells that tended to confirm functional conclusions based on comparative studies of gross morphology. Larval lobsters. Detailed studies, involving light and scanning electron microscopy, produced a painstaking description of changes in the mouth-parts of the 1st 4 stages of *Homarus americanus*. Structural changes in these external feeding appendages, especially alterations in the types and distribution of the several types of setae, could in general be seen as correlated with changes in habitat and types of food during development from stage to stage.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/09

ANDERSON, J. M. 1978. Histological studies on the pyloric stomach and its appendages in *Creaster reticulatus* (L) (Asteroidea). Biol. Bull. 156: 1-19.

FACTOR, J.R. 1978. Preliminary report on the development of the digestive system in larval lobsters, *Homarus americanus*. Amer. Zool., 18: 586 (Abstract).

001.072 CRIS0076313  
ANTIBACTERIAL MECHANISMS IN CLAMS; CONTRIBUTION OF THE  
WATER STREAM

TIMONEY J F; MICROBIOLOGY; CORNELL UNIVERSITY,  
ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-433379 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 78 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the rate of removal in the waterstream of *Salmonella typhimurium*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Escherichia coli*, and *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* from hard clams. Examine the binding properties of clam mucus for these test bacteria.

APPROACH: Clams will be exposed to the test bacteria for one hour and then removed for u/v irradiation of their outer surfaces to inactivate bacteria on their shells. The clam will then be placed in a model depuration tank which is designed for removal of all bacteria from the water. The rate of disappearance of the test organisms from the clam tissues will then be measured by timed samplings of randomly chosen clams. Mucus will be collected using a suitable irritant. The homogenized mucus will then be mixed with the test bacteria incubated at 20C and timed samples taken and centrifuged. Bacterial counts will be performed on the supernatant and sediment.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 80/12. The uptake and clearance of *Salmonella typhimurium* and *Escherichia coli* by actively siphoning clams was studied. The following conclusions are possible from the experiments performed. Enteric bacteria are rapidly concentrated 100X within actively siphoning clams. Accumulated bacteria are then rapidly cleared. Counts of bacteria are reduced 1,000X within 8 hours. A further 10X reduction occurs by 24 hours. Bacteria are cleared in the form of mucus-fecal aggregates which rapidly sediment in the water. Very few free bacteria are released. Clams which are prevented from siphoning do not clear themselves of bacteria within 24 hours. Ionic phenomena are not important in binding of bacteria to mucus-fecal aggregates.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.



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## ECOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT OF WALLEYE

FORNEY J L; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY,  
ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.

Proj. No.: NYC-147331

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 30 MAR 78 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Define the role of interspecific competition and predation in governing walleye recruitment from an analysis of fish community structures.

APPROACH: Reproductive success of walleye as measured by abundance of young and age composition of the population will be compared with size distribution and species composition of fish communities in a wide spectrum of lakes. Information on community structure will be gathered primarily from the catch in gillnets and trawls. More specific information on the nature of interspecific competition and predation will be generated by following the fate of larval and fingerling walleye stocked in lakes with different densities and assemblages of potential predators or competitors. Role of walleye in restructuring fish communities will be assessed from pre-and post-surveys of lakes where walleye populations are established by stocking.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Beginning with a strong year-class in 1962, the walleye population in Chautauqua Lake, New York expanded from an occasional adult to over 50,000 mature fish in 1979. Analysis of scale samples, tagging records and other data showed that recruitment stabilized while growth and survival of walleye declined during the period of population expansion. Recruitment was initially highly variable with three year classes contributing 81% of the adult stock from 1962-1973, but subsequent cohorts were more uniform in size. Average length of a 5-year old male decreased from 515 mm in 1966-1973 to 436 mm in 1980 while adult survival declined from near 100% to about 70%. As walleye stocks expanded numbers of adult muskellunge decreased in the 1970s to about one-fourth the levels which prevailed in earlier years. The timing of events suggests the increase in walleye may have contributed to the collapse of muskellunge but analysis of historical data did not reveal any evidence of direct interactions. Reduced growth and survival may limit further expansion of walleye stock and favor development of a new equilibrium with muskellunge.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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## INTRODUCTION OF WALLEYE AND NORLUNGE FINGERLINGS INTO A LAKE DOMINATED BY PREY SPECIES

YOUNGS W D; GREEN D M; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.

Proj. No.: NYC-147310

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 APR 78 To 31 MAR 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine survival and growth of walleye and norlunge (northern pike X muskellunge) fingerlings stocked in a lake dominated by prey species. Measure abundance of yellow perch and other prey species. Measure effect of walleye and norlunge populations on angling effort, catch and traits. Determine the suitability of stocking these fingerlings in other New York waters with similar predator-prey composition.

APPROACH: Stock fingerling walleye and norlunge for 4 falls. Determine survival by population estimates in successive years. Determine growth by periodic capture of fish. Base prey species abundance on gill net indices compared to indices for 1972-76. Determine fishing effort, catch and angler trait changes by creel census, compared to 1973-76 census results.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/03. Project discontinued. Probably will be reinstated in 1981. Canadara Lake has been stocked with walleye and tiger musky (northern pike X muskellunge) fingerlings each fall

since 1977. In 1977 16500 walleye, mean size 93mm and 5.8g, were stocked. Mean size of survivors was 280mm and 1.1g in Fall 1978 and 365mm and 474g in Fall 1979. Survival to Fall 1978 was 13.5% (10.7-19.3%). A preliminary estimate of survival from fall 1978 to Fall 1979 was 70%. Survival of fingerlings raised on an artificial diet in hatchery troughs (101mm and 8.2g at stocking) was similar to pond raised fish. One male stocked in 1977 was mature in Spring 1979. Survival of 7025 fingerlings (raised on artificial diet) stocked in 1978 (78mm, 3.9g) to Fall 1979 was 0-1%. In late July 1979, 7255 pond raised fish (74mm, 2.6g) and in Sept. 1979, 3735 artificial diet fish (96mm, 6.7g) were stocked. Recaptures of both of these groups in the fall was higher than in 1977 and 1978 (0.99/hr. and 0.36/hr., respectively, vs 0.02/hr. in 1978 and 0.38/hr. in 1977). In 1977 12500 tiger musky fingerlings were stocked (173mm, 27g). Mean size of survivors was 422mm and 400g in Fall 1978 and 620mm and 1394g in Fall 1979. Survival to Fall 1978 was 18% (11.1-100%). A preliminary estimate of survival from 1978 to 1979 was 50%. Survival of the 12500 stocked in 1978 (173mm, 26g) was on the order of 5% and they had grown 395mm and 287g.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/03

BARK, T.E., FUHS, G.W., GREEN, D.M., BETTING, L.J., SMITH, S.E. and ALLEN, S.F. 1980. Limnology of Canadara Lake. In: Bloomfield, J. A. (ed.). Lakes of New York State. Vol. III. Ecology of the Lakes of East-Central New York State.

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CRIS0072691

## POPULATION DYNAMICS OF LARGE MOUTH AND SMALL MOUTH BASS IN 16 NEW YORK LAKES

YOUNGS W D; GREEN D M; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.

Proj. No.: NYC-147324

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 APR 77 To 31 MAR 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine growth, survival, population size and exploitation of bass in 16 New York lakes. Develop models to assess impact of present and potential fishing mortality and effectiveness of current management techniques on bass populations in the study lakes. Determine differential growth, survival and retention of mandible ring and disk dangler tags on bass in Canadara Lake.

APPROACH: Study lakes will be electrofished in May. Bass collected will be processed for age and growth data and will be tagged. Trained volunteer anglers will maintain diaries relating fish caught and released as well as tag recaptures. Population statistics will be derived from both sources of data.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The third and final year of the collection of data by diary cooperators and by standard fishery sampling methods was completed in fall 1980. Data analysis and report preparation is expected to be completed late in 1982. Population estimates have been made for several of the study waters during 2 - 3 successive years. Population size of bass is greater than or equal to 254 mm has been variable in some lakes, with increases of 3 to 14 fold occurring in 1 year. Electro-fishing recaptures of bass tagged and released following capture by angling (artificial lures only) and those tagged and released following capture by electrofishing, were compared. There were 103 smallmouth and 35 largemouth bass tagged after angling capture and 442 smallmouth and 111 largemouth tagged after capture by electrofishing. There was no significant difference in the recapture rate of bass originally captured by the two methods suggesting that anglers released bass do not suffer increased mortality due to being hooked and released. Actual participation by anglers volunteering to maintain diaries has been constant over 3 years (48 - 54%). Response rate (number of volunteers accounted for) at the end of the season increased to 76% in 1979 compared to 66% in 1977 and 1978.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

GREEN, D.M. and SCHONBOFF, B.J. 1980. Population Dynamics of Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass in New York Waters. New York Federal Aid Project F-35-R-3 (Annual Performance Report). N.Y.S. Dept. Environ. Cons., Albany, N.Y. 46 pp.

001.076 CRIS0083084  
NEUROTRANSMITTERS, NEUROMODULATORS, AND LOCOMOTION

HARRIS-WARRICK R M; NEUROBIOLOGY & BEHAVIOR; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-191410 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To study the roles of biogenic amines as long-term modulators of neuronal activity controlling posture and movement in the lobster, *Homarus americanus*, and the sea lamprey, *Petromyzon marinus*.

APPROACH: The biochemical events that occur in the central nervous system to direct or modify ongoing behavior are largely unknown. We have shown that two biogenic amines, octopamine and serotonin, appear to act as long-term modulators of central nervous activity controlling posture in the lobster. Using electrophysiological and biochemical approaches, we will study the detailed effects of these compounds on the activity and synaptic interactions of single identified neurons in the lobster CNS in an attempt to determine the molecular mechanisms of modulation of neural activity. We will seek similar effects of biogenic amines in the lamprey to see if these amines affect motor output in vertebrates (and perhaps man) as well as invertebrates.

001.077 CRIS0080411  
VISUAL PIGMENT CHANGES DURING THE LIFE CYCLE OF THE AMERICAN EEL, *ANGUILLA ROSTRATA*

LOEW E R; PHYSIOLOGY; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-195401 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Chromophore and opsin "type" will be ascertained for upstream, downstream migrant and resident eels, using the technique of microspectrophotometry (MSP). This allows direct examination of cones. The visual pigment composition for a given animal will be correlated with its age and other parameters such as color and eye diameter/body length. Since the visual pigment in other migrating species appear to "pre-adapt" them for their future environment, it may be possible to predict when and if a particular eel will migrate. These data will be correlated to those obtained for the European eel perhaps shedding some light on the question of speciation in eels.

APPROACH: All analyses will be made using techniques standard to MSP. Exact visual pigment composition will be determined using two techniques. The first is by partial bleaching and the second is to bleach all pigment and regenerate new visual pigment using pure A1 and A2. Animals will be obtained in several ways. The first is to seine them personally during migration. Alternately, they will be obtained from "commercial sources". The last source will be from Prof. E. Brothers (CU). Correlations with European eel data will be made via an already ongoing collaboration with Dr. J. Lythgoe (U. Bristol). Any study invoking eyes of a species that undergoes dramatic physical changes during its life cycle demands backup histology to confirm the photoreceptor types present and their distribution within the retina. Little is known of retinal changes during metamorphosis.

001.078 CRIS0076699  
AN INVESTIGATION OF THE ADAPTIVE SIGNIFICANCE OF MELANISM IN THE MALE MOSQUITOFISH, *GAMBUSIA AFFINIS*

MARTIN R G; BIOLOGY; AGRIC & TECH UNIVERSITY OF NC, GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA. 27412.  
Proj. No.: NCX-003-5-79-221-1 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine the following aspects of melanism in male mosquitofish: The mechanism of inheritance, competition with normal males for some resource or resources, vulnerability to predation compared with normal males, frequency of mating success compared with normal males.

APPROACH: For the 4 areas of investigation, the following approaches will be used: Mechanism of inheritance -- mating experiments; large scale collections from known sites, competition -- genetic size differences, competition for food, and competition for space experiments, predation -- predator preference in the laboratory, microhabitat investigation in the field, sexual selection -- examination of female urogenital tracts for the presence of sperm.

PROGRESS: 80/03 TO 81/02. This year we completed analyzing the length and weight of melanistic male mosquitofish compared to normal male mosquitofish from a large scale fish collection conducted on a Central Florida lake in the mid 1970's. The results showed conclusively that the average length of melanistic males was greater than that of normal males (23.3 vs 19.4 mm), and their average weight was also greater (202 mg. vs 135 mg.). Also analyzed were the results of a mating preference study, in which it was concluded that female mosquitofish do not demonstrate a mating preference for either melanistic or normal males when given a 50:50 choice regardless of whether or not a female had previous exposure to melanistic males. Finally, analyzed were the results of a breeding program between normal females and melanistic males, and discovered that in seven separate matings, 54 percent of the adult male offspring turned out to be melanistic. The appearance of the pattern of melanism in these males did not occur until the onset of sexual maturity. Also, only 9.67 percent of the F(1) generation adults were females, a rather serious sex ratio imbalance in these matings. In summary, although we still are not close to an answer to whatever the adaptive value of melanism might be in male mosquitofish. Progress has been made in laying the groundwork to be able to arrive at an answer.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/03 TO 81/02

MARTIN, R.G. 1980. Evidence Against Sexual Selection as a Factor in Maintaining Two Male Color Morphs in Populations of Mosquitofish, *Gambusia affinis holbrooki*. Bull. Ecol. Soc. America 61:80. (Abst.).

MARTIN, R.G. and BONNER, M.J. 1980. The Proportion of Melanic Male Offspring Born to Melanic Male X Normal Female Mosquitofish, *Gambusia affinis holbrooki*. Abst. Papers Third Biennial Research Symp., Atlanta, GA. 1980. (Abst.)

001.079 CRIS0073629  
ESTUARINE INVERTEBRATE BEHAVIOR; AN INDEX OF SUBACUTE TOXICITY OF AQUATIC HERBICIDES

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Proj. No.: NC05397 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 JUN 77 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine the chronic, subacute behavioral effects of 2,4-D herbicide on grass shrimp, *Palaemonetes pugio* Hclthuis; to explore the feasibility of assessing xenobiotic-induced behavioral dysfunctions of aquatic vertebrates and invertebrates by application of behavioral toxicology techniques.



APPROACH: Dosages of 2,4-D which produce no lethality or locomotor dysfunction for 7 days following a 3 day post-collection period will be determined for adults and larvae. Then, the phototactic behavioral reflexes of dark adapted and dosed shrimp will be tested daily in compartmentalized chambers illuminated by a horizontally directed, intensity controlled monochromatic light stimulus with a duration of 5s at 15s intervals for 5 replications. Shrimp in the compartment nearest the light will be designated photo-positive. Swimming speeds of larvae will be determined in Petri dishes by measuring distances traveled per unit time.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 78/12. The effect on adult females, three larval stages, and eggs of the grass shrimp, Palaemonetes pugio, exposed to eubacutic doses of the herbicide Weedar-64 (registered trademark) (Am. Chem., Inc.), containing 49.3% of the dimethylamine salt of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, was tested. Auxiliary ingredients, mainly water, were assumed to be non-toxic. Alteration of phototaxis was chosen as the indicator of an effect on adults and larvae; eggs were examined for percent hatch. Photoactive patterns of larvae and adults receiving 100 ppm Weedar-64 daily were recorded for 12 days. Positive phototaxis was reduced by 2,4-D in all three larval stages tested. Sensitivity varied with developmental stage (stage 1 was most sensitive). Stage 1 larval responses were altered more by 2,4-d exposure than by aging, but for stages 3 and 7, larval ages influenced phototaxis more than doses. Adults were unaffected. The doses tested did not affect the hatching of eggs.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 78/12

MOYER, C.A.J. 1978. Effect of the herbicide 2,4-d on the phototactic response of the grass shrimp, Palaemonetes pugio. M. S. Thesis. N. C. State University, Raleigh. 33 p.

001.080 CRIS0075631  
POSSIBLE CAUSES OF BLUEGILL LEPCNIS MARCOCHIRUS DEFORMITIES

DEMONT D J; ZOOLOGY; N CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, RALEIGH, NC 27650.  
Proj. No.: NCC5447 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 79 To 31 MAR 80

OBJECTIVES: Examine temperature shock, genetics, and water quality as possible causes of deformities in bluegill sunfish in Lake Robinson, S. C.

APPROACH: Fish will be spawned in the laboratory and the eggs and larvae will be subjected to temperature shock at five stages in development. Tests will be conducted using parental stock from Lake Robinson and another source to detect genetic effects. Lake Robinson water and water from another source will be used in duplicate tests to crudely assess the effects of water quality.

PROGRESS: 79/06 TO 80/03. Work commenced on this project in July after authorization was received. Bluegills chosen from among those which seemed to be approaching spawning condition were stocked into 8 foot diameter fiberglass ponds for "natural spawning." The fish fed poorly and no spawning activity was observed through mid-September. Attempts to strip and fertilize bluegill eggs in the laboratory were also unsuccessful. Even with the injections of Human Chorionic Gonadotropin used late in the summer, eggs obtained were rarely fully developed. Those few eggs which began development died within 24-30 hours. I concluded in early September that further attempts to induce spawning in 1979 were futile and halted work and further spending on the project. This action was communicated to Carolina Power and Light Company officials in a meeting on the 19th of September, 1979. The project will be revised and extended before March 31, 1980 or will be terminated with remaining monies reverting back to Carolina Power and Light Company as per our contractual agreement.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/06 TO 80/03  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

001.081 CRIS0069601  
THE STATUS, ABUNDANCE, AND YIELD OF THE STRIPED BASS IN THE ROANOKE RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA

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Proj. No.: NC05352 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Delineate the status, abundance, and the ecological factors essential to the perpetuation of the Striped Bass population in the Roanoke River.

APPROACH: Before the bass migrate upstream a creel census will provide a base for analysis of subsequent censuses taken as the bass move upstream. In the spawning area (Halifax, N. C.) counts of eggs will provide estimates of productivity. Measurement of rate of flow, extent of turbidity, temperature and other factors will indicate factors essential to perpetuation.

PROGRESS: 75/07 TO 79/06. The commercial catch of striped bass in the Roanoke River from 1975-79 was 19,889; 7,156; 10,465; 16,253; and 10,000 fish respectively. Anchor gill nets were the most successful commercial gear used. The striped bass sport catch for 1975-79 was 22,219; 40,789; 32,983; 28,016; and 25,418 fish respectively. The CUE for these years was 3.61, 4.00, 3.27, 2.76, and 3.25 striped bass/boat. Tagging was conducted on striped bass from 1976-79. The exploitation rates were 22.73, 13.47, 21.24, and 13.0% respectively. Trawling in the Albemarle Sound nursery area (1975-79) resulted in catch/haul of 10.80, 10.52, 3.63, 0.59, and 0.55 young-of-year striped bass. Reduced catches in 1975 and 1979 were associated with high river discharge flows during the spawning season. Estimates of striped bass egg production for 1975-79 were 2.19, 1.5, 1.76, 1.69, and 1.61 billion eggs respectively. The annual estimated striped bass spawning population was 3.27, 2.78, 3.48, 3.54, and 3.43 x 10<sup>5</sup> respectively. In 1978 trawling studies in the lower Roanoke River resulted in the collection of 14,309 fish of which white perch was the dominant species.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/07 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD

001.082 CRIS0073509  
LIMNOLOGY OF FARM PONDS

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Proj. No.: NC03596 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the important factors controlling quality and quantity of fish production in N.C. farm ponds. Develop a capability to diagnose and recommend treatment for various pond problems - fish disease, fish die-off, nuisance weeds, etc. Collaborate with others as necessary in publishing and revising guidelines for farm pond management as Ag. Extension Bulletins.

APPROACH: During the first year, determine the ranges of farm pond types in North Carolina and their important physico-chemical and biological factors influencing fish production. Begin intensive studies to determine the relationships between the above and fish production and pond "problems." This will include experimental manipulations in small enclosures in some ponds, food chain studies and a survey of fish parasites. Follow-up studies of fish stockings by the State will be performed.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 80/09. Ranks of the primary productivities of 3 study ponds in the Raleigh area were: L-26; Yates and A-2. Zooplankton was highest in Yates, while benthos was highest in L-6. Competition, measured as dietary overlap between size classes of fish, was highest in A-2, and least in L-6.



Competition was most severe in mid-summer, suggesting growth depression. Turbidity depressed feeding rates of bluegill sunfish 50% but did not cause a shift in preferred prey size. Perceptual bias was not responsible for the size selection of prey; rather a hypothesis of behavioral preference was supported. Data collected from previous years was assembled as a basis for submitting a proposal to OWRI entitled "Effects of Low-Level Turbidity on Fishes". This proposal was accepted and a grant of \$126,108 was awarded 1 October 1979. A technique using radioactive glycine uptake by fish scales was developed to determine short-term growth rates of fishes in relation to turbidity. A method was developed to separate the effects of biotic and abiotic particles on turbidity. A precipitation technique for manipulating turbidity in ponds was developed. A 50 channel, computer interfaced, scanner was purchased to continuously monitor relative humidity, water and air temperature, oxygen, wind speed and direction and light.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 80/03

GARDNER, M.E. 1979. The Effects of Turbidity on Feeding Rates and Prey-Size Selection by the Bluegill Sunfish (*Leptemichthys macrochirus*): a Test of a Foraging-Strategy Hypothesis. M.S. Thesis. Dept. of Zoology, NCSU.

#### 001.083 CRIS0078749 ECOLOGY OF JUVENILE FISHES IN NC ESTUARIES

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Proj. No.: NC05435 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: To estimate the seasonal abundance of juvenile sciaenid fishes in the Pamlico River estuary. To relate their distribution to certain environmental factors such as depth and vegetation. To determine their food habits, local availability of these food items, and rate of consumption.

APPROACH: Sample juvenile fishes and their food approximately biweekly in the Pamlico River estuary in relation to major habitat features. Perform analyses of these data and data from the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development to determine the critical features of nursery areas.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 81/06. Juvenile fish populations were sampled in Rose Bay, N.C., for a period of two years. They enter the estuary as post-larvae in December and January and grow there for about 8 months before migrating off shore as adults. During this nursery period they eat mainly zooplankton, clam siphons, polychaete worms, as well as a number of minor dietary organisms. Sampling showed reduced abundance in areas subject to salinity depression and variation due to freshwater runoff through canals. Spot and croaker are more or less ubiquitous in Rose Bay, while other species, e.g., speckled trout, red drum and silver perch are more restricted to submerged grass beds. There was much dietary overlap among species suggesting the possibility of food competition. Growth rates and mortality schedules are being analyzed now to test this hypothesis. Spot and croaker, the two dominant species, are segregated on the habitat axes of salinity and temperature. Spot have a higher optimum temperature than croaker which is reflected in a higher growth rate for croaker in early Spring and a higher growth rate for spot in summer. The high abundance of food and low mortality rates suggest that the major limiting factors to these juvenile fish populations are reduced habitats owing to salinity variability and the lack of abundance of submerged vegetation. Four Master's theses and one Ph.D. dissertation are in progress on the project.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 81/06

MILLER, J.M. and DUNN, M.L. 1980. Feeding strategies and patterns of movement in juvenile estuarine fishes. In V.S. Kennedy, Ed. Estuarine Perspectives Academic Press, N.Y. 533 p.

#### 001.084 CRIS0077002 USE OF BENTHIC MACROINVERTEBRATES IN N.C. FISHERY MANAGEMENT AND WATER QUALITY ASSESSMENT

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Proj. No.: NC03632 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSSES Period: 01 NOV 78 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine the control exerted by predatory midge larvae (*Chaoborus*) over zooplankton in N.C. ponds, and develop a taxonomic key to N.C. Chironomidae larvae with a supporting reference collection.

APPROACH: The distribution, seasonal cycles and feeding habits of *Chaoborus* in campus ponds will be determined. Experimental variation of *Chaoborus* and food densities will be used to test for controlling ability. Specimens of Chironomidae submitted by state agencies and industry will be used to revise and newly illustrate older keys which were written for other geographical regions.

PROGRESS: 78/07 TO 81/06. One general objective of this project was to document species composition, timing of the life cycle, seasonal population fluctuations, depth distribution, production and migratory behavior for *Chaoborus* (Diptera, Chaoboridae) in Yates Pond. Two species were found in Yates Pond, *C. punctipennis* and an undescribed, smaller one. Both probably pass through two or more generations per year. Fall population densities increase steeply with depth, reflecting the refuge from predatory fish offered by anoxic deep waters. Usually, less than 10% of all *Chaoborus* were floating above bottom during the day, but a consistent 90% moved out of the sediments at night. *Chaoborus* was most abundant when anoxic water was present in summer and fall, but decreased an order of magnitude in winter and spring. Incomplete studies include production, feeding habits and the ecological role of *Chaoborus* in structuring zooplankton communities. The other project objective was to produce a taxonomic key to Chironomidae (Diptera) larvae for North Carolina, a diverse group useful as biological indicators of water quality. A key to the subfamily Orthocladinae was devised, covering 65 northern-hemisphere genera. Representatives of 41 genera (7 undescribed) were found in collections from the state's streams and rivers, and another 10 genera are expected to show up in further collections. The key greatly increased the capability of water quality biologists to identify stream fauna.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 78/07 TO 81/06

MOZLEY, S.C. 1980. Biological Indicators of Water Quality in North Carolina. I. Guide to Generic Identification of Orthocladine Chironomidae (Diptera). Report to the North Carolina Department of Natural Resources and Community

#### 001.085 CRIS0073132 THE EFFECTS OF ARTIFICIAL STRUCTURES OF GAME FISH IN A BOREW PIT POND

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Proj. No.: OH000609 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSSES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop and evaluate a new device called a pop net for sampling various types of artificial cover. Also to chronicle the development of the airwuchs and fish communities associated with both tire and stake structures at various depths. Also to determine the use made by various species and sizes of game fish.

APPROACH: Construct 12 reefs about 25 meters long each made up of 5 separate units each about 1.5 meters high. The reefs will extend into the lake from the north shore. Six of those reefs will be made up of tire structures and the other six of verticle stake beds. Half of the tire reefs will be kept food-free with bi-weekly scrubbing while the remaining reefs will develop attached communities normally. A new net device, SCUEA, and angling will

all be used to evaluate the effect of depth, cover type, and food availability on fish community development and fish behavior.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 80/09. The pop net has been developed to sample artificial structure. The floor of the cylindrical, open-ended net is placed on the lake bottom, the 4 m diameter circular wall collapsed, and secured around the floor's perimeter. Structure to be sampled is placed on the net floor. The net released mechanism is triggered remotely. The net wall with floats rises, enclosing the structure and associated fish. Eighteen tests were conducted in clear water to determine pop net efficiency. Escape rates were 0.5% and 2.1% respectively for bluegills (*Lepomis macrochirus*) 75-130 mm and large-mouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) 180-230 mm in total length. No bluegill greater than 160 mm and bass greater than 315 mm escaped. A total of 671 fish were susceptible to capture. Of these, 4 escaped resulting in a net efficiency of 99.4%. Initial examination of data suggests that number of bluegill captured, regardless of size, is inverse to the percentage of small bass associated with structure. Also, number of small bass captured is inverse to the percentage of small bluegill associated with structure. An inverse relationship is also suggested for water temperature and the percentages of small bluegill and all fish associated with structure.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 80/09

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POTENTIAL HARVEST OF LAKE ERIE WHITE CRAPPIE FROM AN ADJOINING BORROW PIT

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Proj. No.: ORO00258 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 77 To 31 MAR 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the potential for increasing accessibility and harvest of fish populations, particularly white crappie, from large bodies of water through fisheries in small adjoined bodies of water.

APPROACH: The study area will be mapped. Basic limnological parameters will be monitored in the borrow pit and the immediate bay area to detect differences or potential limiting factors. Mark and recapture studies, sonar scans, test netting and electrofishing will provide an estimate of migration into and out of the immediate bay area and the borrow pit. Fishing pressure and total harvest in both areas will be estimated by creel surveys. The populations structure of white crappie will be determined and compared in both areas from fish sampling data. Management recommendations will be developed on the basis of the significance of migrations and possible causes.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 79/03. In 552 hours of sampling, a total of 838 adult fish (19 species) moved through a culvert connecting a borrow pit with Sandusky Bay. Of these, 506 (53.8%) were moving from the Bay into the borrow pit. White crappie (6.3%) and black crappie (4.1%) together represented a greater percentage of the total catch than all other species except gizzard shad and brown bullheads. Culvert current direction regulated the direction of fish movements; of 755 movements during discernible flow, 82.9% were counter current. Spawning activity appeared to determine which species, what size, and when movements occurred. In the borrow pit, larger, older fish of both crappie species were prevalent in the spring inshore trap sets, culvert movements, and the fishermen's creel, while smaller crappie (150mm or less) were abundant offshore and dominated the summer fish collections. Black crappie consistently showed up earlier than did white crappie in all sampling methods. This difference in the timing of seasonal activities between the two indicated that black crappie are active earlier in the spring, and suggested black crappie may spawn earlier than white crappie. The estimated net gain of adult white and black crappie moving into the borrow pit potentially

represented 7.6% and 6.1% of each species harvest respectively.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 79/03

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CRIS0064796

CULTURE OF PACIFIC SALMON

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Proj. No.: ORE00163

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 DEC 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine the relationship between incubation density and fry quality in shallow gravel incubators.

APPROACH: Chum salmon eggs will be incubated at six densities ranging from 1000 to 10,000 eggs per square foot of gravel, with six replicates of each density. Emergence timing, size at emergence, yolk utilization and proximate tissue analysis will be compared between and within treatments (densities). The fry quality criteria will also be compared to natural fry. Samples from each treatment will be marked and released and the relationship between density and survival subsequently observed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Within the tested range of 1000 - 7000 eyed eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> gravel substrate (1.05 - 7.53 eggs/cm<sup>2</sup>), the optimum stocking density for chum salmon (*Oncorhynchus keta*) eggs in shallow matrix substrate incubators occurred at 3,000-4,000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup>. Premature fry, which predominated early emergence, showed greater variability in lipid content than fry at peak emergence. Cumulative premature fry emergence was lowest at 3000 - 4000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> and highest at 5000 - 7000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup>. Early emerging fry are considered to be of lesser quality than peak emerging fry because the observed increase in variation in lipid content (i.e. primary energy reserve) may lead to increased variation in survival during seaward migration. Neither survival (from egg stocking to emergence) nor the gross body composition (determined by proximate analysis) of emerging fry were affected by egg stocking density. Development indices decreased in a linear fashion throughout emergence but the slope and intercept of the line did not differ among egg stocking densities. The frequency of yolk sac abnormalities was negligible in all treatments. The water content of fry increased from early to late emergence while dry weights remained relatively constant. The implications of this observation are discussed. Application of these results depends on the relative importance of biological vs. economic optimization in a hatchery. 3,000-4,000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> favors high quality fry production, while 7,000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> minimizes the cost of producing each fry.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

KAPUSCINSKI, A. 1980. In Search of the Optimum Stocking Density for Chum Salmon (*Oncorhynchus keta*) Eggs in Shallow Matrix Substrate Incubators. M.S. Thesis. Oregon State Univ. Corvallis, Oregon. 36 pp.

001.088

CRIS0075513

CHRONIC TURBIDITY AND STRESS IN JUVENILE COHO SALMON AND STEELHEAD TROUT

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Proj. No.: ORE00401

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 25 APR 78 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Objectives will be met by answering: Is there a generalized, physiological response to stress in juvenile salmonids; are the physiological responses to stress correlated or related to reduced fitness; does stress produce predictable physiological responses?



**APPROACH:** Juvenile coho salmon and steelhead trout will be exposed to salination and their resistance to other stresses determined. Clinical chemistries involving primary aspects of the general adaptation syndrome of stress, such as cortisol, will be monitored.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Juvenile coho salmon and steelhead trout exposed to suspended topsoil, clay or Mt. St. Helens volcanic ash had elevated plasma cortisol, suggesting that exposure to high levels of suspended solids is a moderately stressful condition. Although cortisol returned to pre-stress levels and osmoregulatory performance of the fish was not affected by exposure to sediment, topsoil significantly reduced the fish's tolerance to the pathogen *Vibrio anguillarum*. The absence of light during imposition of stress may mitigate in part the reaction to the stress.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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001.055 CRIS0083604  
**PERFORMANCE OF SALMONIDS: SMOLTIFICATION, STRESS AND FITNESS**

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Proj. No.: OSE00908 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 02 FEB 81 TO 30 JUN 86

**OBJECTIVES:** Increase percent return of anadromous salmonids by providing an understanding of the functional basis of parr-smolt transformation. Monitor clinical indicators of smoltification. Conduct tests of performance as indicators of smolt quality to signify effects of rearing conditions on development.

**APPROACH:** Analyze clinical criteria of smoltification, particularly those associated with the endocrine system. Specifically, determine effects of loading regimes on smolt performance criteria; determine effects of loading regimes on smolt-indicators; determine correlations of smolt-indicators and performance and determine effects of loading on food consumption and feed conversion efficiency and correlate nutritional status with smolt performance and smolt-indicators.

001.090 CRIS0069301  
**COLUMBIA RIVER CHINOOK SALMON STUDY**

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Proj. No.: OSE00313 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 75 TO 30 JUN 78

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine biological and environmental factors influencing run size of Columbia River spring chinook salmon. Predict the future of anadromous salmonid runs in the upper Columbia River.

**APPROACH:** A computerized file of physical and biological data will be constructed. Relationships between fixed parameters with correlation analyses will be defined. Correlation and regression techniques will be utilized to isolate those combinations of variables that appear to have the most important influence on run-strength of spring chinook salmon. The analysis will proceed to the development of a model of sufficient sophistication to predict, with an acceptable level of confidence, annual run-strength for spring chinook salmon.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. A statistical analysis of factors influencing the survival rate of both upper Columbia River and Lemhi River spring chinook salmon was performed using correlation and multiple regression techniques. Ocean upwelling and Columbia River flow regimes during outmigration may influence the survival rates of the studied fish. A theoretical model characterizing a Columbia River spring chinook

salmon population was developed to (1) suggest the types of data to be collected in future studies, and (2) suggest the nature of functional relationships influencing selected life history events. An outline for a management model was developed within the framework of the theoretical biological model to illustrate a potentially useful application of the modeling effort.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/01 TO 79/12  
BARTON, A.C. 1975. Factors influencing the life history of spring chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) spawning in the Columbia River watershed from 1960 to 1877. Ph.D. Thesis, Oregon State University. 243 pp.

001.091 CRIS0066734  
**STOCK DYNAMICS AND ASSESSMENT IN MARINE FISHERIES**

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Proj. No.: OSE00254 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 74 TO 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Provide a revised statistical area map for landings of Oregon groundfish that will improve assessment of fish stocks and provide the basis for a standardized inter-state unit of fishing effort.

**APPROACH:** Compile and chart local distribution of recent Oregon landings of principal groundfish species from commercial log-book data of the Fish Commission of Oregon. Analyze and chart distribution of major assemblages of continental shelf fishes, including principal species landed, potentially exploitable species, and minor species. Analyses will be made with recurrent group, species-association coefficient methods. Based on the distribution of major assemblages of fishes, develop a proposal for revised statistical reporting areas that will be small enough to allow analysis of the status of individual stocks. This map will also provide the basis for a standardized inter-state unit of fishing effort.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. We propose that management concerns for continental shelf fishes must include not only yield maximization goals on target species (modified by social concerns to OY), but also fish assemblage maintenance goals. MSY oriented management has been shown with models to simplify fishery systems toward species with highest productivity rates. However, there is no assurance that simplified, high production portions of formerly species-rich assemblages can persist in ocean systems. Our analyses of research trawling surveys have indicated there are geographic fish-species assemblages. We conceptualize that each assemblage is part of a geographically definable natural production system of interacting organisms (a "community"). The "regular" species of the community having strong trophic linkages among themselves comprise an "assemblage production unit" (APU). The "regular" species are those that are present in every season. As a management technique for the APU, we propose that monitoring the transition states following controlled pulse fishing by the commercial dragger fleet may be a means of exploring and maintaining the viability of the APU's. These pulses could be applied simultaneously to a group of near-replicate APU's. The goal would be to find the limits of repetitive pulse fishing that would allow persistence of APU structure.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
BAYMAN, R.A., TYLER, A.V. and DEMOREY, R.L. 1980. A Comparison Between Cohort Analysis and Catch per Unit Effort Using Dover Sole (*Microstomus pacificus*) and English Sole (*Parophrys vetulus*). Trans. Am. Fish. Soc. 109:35-53.  
BAYMAN, R.A. and TYLER, A.V. 1980. Environment and Cohort Strength of Dover Sole (*Microstomus pacificus*) and English Sole (*Parophrys vetulus*). Trans. Am. Fish. Soc. 109:54-70.  
GABRIEL, W.L. and TYLER, A.V. 1980. Preliminary Analysis of Pacific Coast Demersal Fish Assemblages. Marine Fisheries Review. March-April: 83-88.



001.092 CRIS0009462  
THE BEHAVIOR OF FISH AS RELATED TO ARTIFICIAL COVER

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Proj. No.: PEN01757 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 67 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine what components of cover are related to its use, the role of cover as a determinant of population size, the effects of cover on agonistic and aggressive behavior, and to test response to cover as a bioassay for chronic toxicity.

APPROACH: Procedures will be carried out in a stream aquarium where water velocities, water temperature, water quality and light can be controlled. Observations will be made with six different types of artificial cover. Duncan's multiple range test will be used to define gradient of use among the covers. Covers found to be most intensively used under the stream aquarium conditions will be introduced in a natural stream without cover. Population changes will be noted through the use of electrofishing gear. Agonistic and aggressive behavior between two or more fish will be quantified by noting the number and type of frontal and lateral displays, attacks and attitudes of submission or appeasement. Statistical comparisons will be made between the utilization of cover under "unpolluted" soft and hard water conditions versus polluted conditions characteristic of mine acid drainage or industrial wastes.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 79/09. Utilization of overhead cover among 12 strains of inbred brook trout was significantly different. Cover utilization has a genetic base. Response of wild juvenile smallmouth bass to 11 different types of cover in a stream aquarium was related to the following features of coverts: tactual reference, visual reference, area of darkness, and quiet water. The two coverts that supplied all four of the features were significantly higher in utilization. Utilization of the best coverts under a regime of decreasing pH from 7 to 4 provided no significant difference. Distress movements was significantly higher at lower pH levels. However, under a regime of decreasing dissolved oxygen from 9 ppm to 5 ppm cover utilization decreased significantly with any change of 2 or more ppm. Activity, that is swimming from quadrat to quadrat, increased. Cover utilization increased significantly under artificially controlled increases in Tennessee No. 10 tall clay from <10 nephelometric turbidity units to >100 NTU. Utilization of cover by adult wild brown trout in a semi-natural stream was significantly higher than that of brown trout of long domestication. These differences persisted in two different sections of stream taken at two different seasons and whether resident or non-resident as populations were doubled with superimposition of either hatchery or wild stock in the same section.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 79/09

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HAWTHORNE, VERNON, BUTLER, ROBERT L. 1979. A Trout Stream in Winter. A 16 mm color and sound documentary. Psychological Cinema Register. 18 minutes.  
MCLAREN, JAMES B. 1979. Comparative behavior of hatchery-reared and wild brown trout and its relation to intergroup competition in a stream. Ph.D. thesis. Pa. State Univ., 156 pp.  
YOUNG, John E. 1979. The behavioral response of smallmouth bass ('Micropterus' 'dolomieu') to increased turbidity. M.S. Thesis. Pa. State Univ.

001.093 CRIS0069189  
ZOOGEOGRAPHY AND ECOLOGY OF FISHES IN PENNSYLVANIA

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Proj. No.: PEN02276 Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Measure the impact of environmental disturbance on patterns of distribution of fish species; investigate the phylogeny of selected fish groups in order to assess the validity of species nomenclature.

APPROACH: The severity of environmental degradation due to acid mine drainage, soil erosion, industrial pollution or other disturbances to aquatic habits will be correlated with the presence or absence of species of fishes known to be sensitive to these forms of pollution. Predictions of the level of pollution permissible to maintain diverse fish populations are then possible. Studies will be continued to better understand the diversity of taxa and the geographic distribution of fishes in northeastern United States.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Work is continuing on a manuscript "Fishes of Pennsylvania" which is in Press. The phylogeny of the sculpins (Teleostei: Cottidae) of eastern North America has been revised by detailed electrophoretic and meristic analysis of many Appalachian species and populations. An acceptable thesis is now being prepared for publication.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

STRUASS, R. E. 1980. Geographic variation and the intra- and interspecific relationships of eastern North American freshwater sculpins (Teleostei: Cottidae). The Graduate School, Penn State Univ., Ph.D. Thesis, 210 p.

001.094 CRIS0068635  
STUDIES OF THE ECONOMICALLY IMPORTANT SPECIES:  
MERCENARIA MERCENARIA AND MACROBRACHIUM ROSENBERGII

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Proj. No.: SC00155 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Objectives of the Mercenaria phase are: Explore important biological and ecological aspects of rearing clams; investigate the extent and nature of natural clam populations; and provide environmental estuarine base-line data. Objectives of the Macrobrachium phase are: Investigate the effects of mirex on Macrobrachium; and investigate the feasibility of polyculturing Macrobrachium.

APPROACH: Approach of the Mercenaria phase includes: Evaluations of artificial seedling and growing programs; regular sampling and collection analysis of natural populations; and determination of biological, chemical and physical characteristics of clam habitats. Approach of the Macrobrachium phase includes: Monitoring the effects of exposure to mirex; and analyzing niche utilization in polyculture situations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/06. Juvenile and postlarval Macrobrachium rosenbergii were exposed to mirex concentrations of 0.1, 10, 50, 150, 500 and 1000 ug/l, plus control, for 96 hours. Whole animal residue analysis indicated postlarvae and juveniles concentrated mirex, and mortality response appeared to follow residue levels. Postlarvae and juveniles exposed to 1000 ug/l accumulated mirex up to 513x and 88x control levels, respectively. Mirex residues in juveniles were greatest in nerve tissue with levels up to 250x control. Residue analysis of test water revealed a 10-fold decline in mirex concentrations over 96 hours. Residues were not detected in the water from control, 0.1, 10, 50, 100 and 150 ug/l treatments, and only 126 and 165 ug/l mirex was found remaining after 96 hours in water from 500 and 1000 ug/l mirex treatments, respectively. Three studies with hard clams, Mercenaria mercenaria, were initiated in 1980. Two studies were designed to determine growth of hard clams cultured in South Carolina, and a third to evaluate reproductive responses to increased density.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/06

AAS, C.A. and EVERSOLE, A.G. 1980. Effect of mirex on postlarval *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* in different water hardnesses. *Bull. S.C. Acad. Sci.* 42:72.

AAS, C.A. 1980. Effects of mirex on *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* in various water hardnesses. M.S. Thesis. Clemson Univ. South Carolina. 34 p.

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CRIS0070455

**ANALYSIS OF PREDATION OF *MERCENARIA MERCENARIA* BY DECAPOD CRUSTACEANS**

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Proj. No.: SC00205

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the predators (i.e. decapod crustaceans) of seed clams; determine the important factors influencing predation; investigate alternate methods for controlling predation; and evaluate these methods in pilot culturing systems.

**APPROACH:** Collecting potential predators and evaluate stomach contents; examining rates of predation by principal predators under controlled laboratory conditions when variables such as size of prey and predators are altered, water temperature is varied and different substrate composites are used; and finally, to test prospective methods of reducing predation in field conditions.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/09. *Mercenaria mercenaria* maintained in protected trays provided estimates of annual mortality rates for clams 3-5 and 1-5.5 years of age. Clams 3-5 years old averaged 51.12 mm SL (range, 31.6-72.2 mm) at planting and 58.53 mm SL (38.0-74.7 mm) two years later. Clams 1-5.5 years old starting at 24.74 mm SL (11.7-35.3 mm) reached 64.45 mm SL (50.1-78.0 mm) after 4.5 years growth. Annual mortality rates without predation were 1.43% and 1.98% for clams age 3-5 and 1-5.5, respectively.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/09

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**PRELIMINARY STUDIES ON CRAWFISH AND FRESHWATER SHRIMP DISEASES**

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Proj. No.: TEX06531

Project Type: ANIMAL

HEALTH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 04 MAR 81 To 03 MAR 82

**OBJECTIVES:** The objectives are to assess the effects of water hardness on shell calcium content, shell morphology and colonization of chitinoclastic bacteria on *Procambarus* sp. and *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* and characterize the hemocytes of *Procambarus* sp. (crawfish) and correlate types with water hardness.

**APPROACH:** Percent shell calcium content will be determined from atomic absorption analysis. Shell morphology will be described by scanning electron microscopy and electron X-ray microprobe analysis. Colonization of bacteria will be quantified using standard bacteriologic techniques. Hemocytes will be histologically identified and enumeration studies will be done with a Coulter Counter.

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CRIS0064272

**POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS OF TEXAS GULF OF MEXICO FISHES**

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Proj. No.: TEX06049-S

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 30 JUN 75 To 29 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine abundance, species, and size of fishes. Determine seasonality and distribution of fishes and factors affecting their seasonality, distribution and abundance. Delineate communities and life histories of Gulf of Mexico fishes. Assess attainable fish yields and potential effects of coastal development, oil related activities and superport construction.

**APPROACH:** collect fishes with a trawl, aboard research vessels and obtain hydrographic data such as depth, temperature, salinity and sediments at each station. Other capture techniques such as seines, gill nets, hand-lines, long-lines and angling will be employed in special situations. Stomach contents will be identified and measured for food habits studies. Scales, otoliths or other hard parts will be collected to age specimens for studies of population dynamics.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Continued studies on life histories and population dynamics of Gulf of Mexico demersal fishes have emphasized sand seatrout (*Cynoscion arenarius*). Sand seatrout mature as they approach age 1. Spawning occurs in a distinct Spring period (March to May) and in a distinct Late Summer period (August to September). Spawning coincides with the periodicity of onshore winds and surface currents which transport eggs and larvae to estuarine and inshore Gulf nurseries. The main Gulf nursery in the northwestern area lies in water shallower than 18 meters. Estuarine nurseries may be most important to Late Summer spawned groups. Both spawned groups leave estuarine nurseries in the fall to overwinter in the Gulf. The largest specimen captured by trawling was 342 mm total length, and 89.5% were less than 280 mm. The typical maximum life span was 1-2 years for trawling years and possibly 2-3 years for other years. The total annual mortality rate was best estimated at 89.79% based on trawling data and appears to be no lower than 80-90% if maximum life span typically is as great as three years. The apparent temporal isolation of the two spawned groups produced each year suggests they may be separate populations or species. Sand seatrout population dynamics stress short life spans, high mortality rates and rapid turnover of biomass. This supports previous suggestions that the abundant species of the white and brown shrimp communities in the Gulf of Mexico have evolved a common pattern of population dynamics.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

SHLOSSMAN, P.A. 1980. Aspects of the Life History of the Sand Seatrout, *Cynoscion arenarius*, in the Gulf of Mexico. M.S. Thesis. Texas A and M Univ., College Station, Texas. 75 pp.

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CRIS0072931

**EXPERIMENTAL FISH ECOLOGY**

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Proj. No.: TEX06295

Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 17 JUN 77 To 16 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Experimentally determine biophysical, physiological, and behavioral responses of fishes to environmental variation; evaluate energetic costs and benefits of such responses; generate and evaluate hypotheses relating such responses and their energetic costs/benefits to ecology of wild cultured fishes; develop from these relations generic models for within-habitat distributions of fishes.

**APPROACH:** Mathematical and computer simulation models to provide conceptual framework within which environment-fish relationships are hypothesized, tested by behavioral-physiological experiment, then used in turn to improve models; final validation of models in field, using such techniques as telemetry.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Experimental Fish Ecology project is directed towards understanding how fishes' behavioral and physiological responses to environment are integrated in an ecological context; project successes enhance the capability for predicting ecological responses under both natural and aquacultural conditions. Realistic patterns of fish movement in temperature gradients have been simulated with a generalized mechanistic model that seems potentially valid for species as diverse as carp, Atlantic salmon, and Atlantic tuna; the model invokes stochastic increases in turning rate whenever physiological comparisons of ambient and body-core temperature imply worsening thermal conditions. The major obstacle to an experimental test of the model's underlying hypothesis has now been overcome: Experiments with bluegill (sunfish) and Tilapia spp. have resulted in a highly accurate model, derived from Newton's law of cooling, for predicting core temperature ( $\pm 0.2$  degrees C) of fish under conditions of continuously fluctuating ambient temperature ( $\pm 10$  degrees C); thus, the need for stressful telemetry of core temperature in thermoregulating fish has been obviated. An apparatus for evaluating environmental responses of fish in multivariate situations has been constructed and will be put into service during early 1981.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

CHAMBERLAIN, G.W., NEILL, W.H., KCHANCOWSKY, P.A. and STRAWN, K. 1980. Vertical Responses of Atlantic Croaker to Gas Supersaturation and Temperature Change. Trans. Amer. Fish. Soc. 109:737-750.

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CRIS0075551

#### CIGUATERA FISH POISONING IN THE U.S. V.I.: BIOCHEMICAL, PHYSIOLOGICAL, AND MICROBIOLOGICAL STUDIES

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Proj. No.: V100020

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSSES

Period: 26 MAY 78 To 25 MAY 83

OBJECTIVES: Achieve a better understanding of the biology and chemistry of ciguatoxin. Develop a simple, reliable test for the ciguatoxicity of fish. Determine the biological source(s) of toxin.

APPROACH: The nature of the Virgin Islands ciguatoxin will be determined and compared to that investigated in other areas. Ciguatoxin extracts will be tested whether it inhibits the growth of a variety of rapidly growing bacteria. The gut contents of toxic and non-toxic fish will be examined for the presence of microorganisms that may be associated with ciguatoxin. The usefulness of immunological methods to detect ciguatoxin will be determined. Suspect coral reef microorganisms will be grown on artificial media to determine if a ciguatoxin-like substance is produced. Efforts will be made to determine whether the toxin can be detected by immunological methods and also whether there is an alteration of blood or liver enzymes in ciguatoxin fish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Two methods of purification for ciguatoxic extracts obtained from fish flesh previously implicated in human poisonings have been developed. The first method involves two-step thin-layer chromatography, TLC-I and TLC-II, which give, respectively, lethal doses (LD<sub>50</sub>) of 500 µg/kg and 10 to 100 µg/kg when tested in the mouse bioassay. The second technique employs silicic acid column chromatography (CC) and gives a LD<sub>50</sub> of 50 to 200 µg/kg. The second method (CC) is much less time and labor intensive than the first and provides comparable purification. Gambierdiscus toxicus is a dinoflagellate found in the tropical oceans of the world usually on or near coral reefs, often in association with various macroalgae. Extraction and bioassay of G. toxicus from field collections in the Virgin Islands and from unialgal cultures (provided by Southern Illinois University) suggests the presence of at least three toxic fractions; a chloroform soluble fraction (CTX), an acetone insoluble fraction (MTX), and an acetone soluble

fraction (Other).

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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CRIS0081384

#### AN EVALUATION OF ENDANGERED MOLLUSKS IN VIRGINIA

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Proj. No.: VA-111111

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop a literature review, species range and relative distribution maps for the nine endangered species; develop habitat characterization for the nine species; determine and life histories of two common mussels; summarize components 1 and 2 and prepare final report.

APPROACH: Survey mussel populations in the Clinch, Powell and Holston River; determine water quality, substrate composition and species associations at sites with endangered mussels; artificially infect various species of fish in the laboratory to determine the required fish hosts; apply appropriate statistical analyses to data and write final report.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The final report on the first phase of this project was submitted to the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries in October, 1980. Based on recently completed mussel surveys in southwestern Virginia, the following 7 endangered species reside in the Clinch, Powell, and Holston Rivers: Fusconaia edgariana, Fusconaia cuneolus, Dromus dromas, Conradiella caelata, Quadrula intermedia, Quadrula sparsa, and Dyscnia walkeri. Three of these species occur only in the lower Powell River, an area influenced by upstream coal mining operations. Two of the species are relatively widespread, and approximately 59 river kilometers in Virginia are considered of utmost importance for the continued survival of 5 of the 7 species. Mussel surveys at 2 bridge construction locations on the Clinch River recorded 3 endangered species near these sites. Recommendations were made to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation for mitigating disturbance of the habitat of these endangered species.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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CRIS0081472

#### EVALUATION OF THE ECOLOGICAL REQUIREMENTS OF RESERVOIR FISH SPECIES

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Proj. No.: VA-111113

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine risks and benefits of alewife as pelagic forage in S.E. reservoirs, assess use by gamefish, describe trophic competition with young fish, define predation on larval fish; determine spawning requirements of striped bass in reservoirs, define degree of homing to spawning tributaries, assess reservoir recruitment from tributary streams.

APPROACH: Determine food habits of alewife larval fish, and gamefish/over 2 years as related to food availability. Describe consumption of alewife by gamefish, trophic overlap between alewife and planktivorous life stages of resident fish and use of larval fish by alewife. Compare growth of major species at different life stages before and after alewife introduction. Determine degree of reproductive isolation by electrophoretic analysis between spawning groups of striped bass in each river



over 2 years. Compare gene frequencies of young-of-year fish from Kerr Reservoir to parent spawning stocks. Compare tributaries for hydrologic, water quality and morphoedaphic characteristics to assess differential spawning.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Project to evaluate alewife as a forage species in Southeastern reservoirs was completed. Summer temperature and lack of littoral area are factors which will limit alewife establishment. Alewife are used by pelagic predators but not littoral predators. Adverse effects of alewife include predation on fish larvae, competition with planktivorous fish for food, and downstream emigration. Alewife introductions should be limited to closed systems in which predators are stocked on a put-grow-take basis. Evaluation of reproductive isolation in the use of spawning tributaries by striped bass was completed. Isozyme analysis showed no consistent genetic differences between streams. New projects include (1) analysis of resource partitioning in juvenile fishes, and (2) channel catfish movement and feeding patterns.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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- GUSE, C.J. 1980. Assessment of Genetic Variation Between Spawning Aggregates of Striped Bass from Kerr Reservoir, Virginia-North Carolina. M.S. Thesis. Va. Poly. Inst. and State Univ. Blacksburg. 83 pp

#### 001.102 CRIS0081386 FACTORS INFLUENCING TROUT PRODUCTION IN VIRGINIA STREAMS

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Proj. No.: VA-111114 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Examine links between the food production base and brook trout production, develop the work on brook trout competition with other age classes or trout and with nongame fish to include competition, determine rainbow trout production and gonadal energetics during the year.

APPROACH: Collect monthly quantitative samples of macroinvertebrates to determine trophic structure, biomass, production and feeding rates; collect quarterly depletion samples of fishes to determine trophic structure, biomass, production and food habits, compare food habits of trout with nongame fishes and examine longitudinal zonation of fishes in the stream, conduct quarterly mark-recapture sampling, collect length-weight data and use bomb calorimetry on somatic and reproductive tissues during the year.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Macroinvertebrate identification and enumeration from quarterly drift samples is largely completed and is being used to relate to food habits of trout and non-game fishes to determine trophic relationships and feeding overlaps. One hundred sixty taxa of benthic invertebrates have been identified from Guys Run. Measurements of primary and secondary production have been collected and are in the process of analysis. Behavioral observations of spatial distribution and feeding activities have been conducted for brook trout and five non-game species in laboratory experiments. A conceptual model of energy flow dynamics is being developed for Guys Run, a second order native brook trout stream. Collections of rainbow trout for reproductive biology, gonad energetics and annual

production have been completed and are being analyzed using multivariate statistics and Kicker's cohort production formula ( $P = GB$ ).

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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- GARMAN, G.C. 1980. Impacts of Stocked Brown Trout (*Salmo trutta*) on the Native Fish Fauna of Bottom Creek, Virginia. M.S. Thesis. Va. Poly. Inst. and State Univ., Blacksburg. 81 pp.

#### 001.103 CRIS0083531 AQUACULTURE FOR RESSOURCE ENHANCEMENT

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Proj. No.: WIS02581 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 80 To 31 AUG 84

OBJECTIVES: To determine the quantitative amino acid requirements of rainbow trout and yellow perch; to examine the feasibility of employing anabolic substances; to control sexual differentiation and enhance growth and food conversion efficiency and to apply this information to the propagation and culture of Great lakes fishes.

APPROACH: An amino acid test diet will be developed to promote good growth at 15°C for trout and 22°C for perch. The dietary requirements of these species will be determined under high NH(3) versus low ammonia condition and to determine his, ile, leu, phe, thr, and val requirements and amino acid interrelationships. These studies will be undertaken to determine whether selected biochemical correlates of growth can be used in evaluating the amino acid in protein quality requirements of fishes. With respect to yellow perch only, a study will be undertaken to determine the size or age at which sexual differentiation occurs. Selected androgenic and estrogenic compounds will be used to control sexual differentiation or reverse the sex of immature fish. The dosages and length of treatment required to control sexual differentiation will be studied. A comparison will be made of the growth rate food consumption, food conversion efficiency, protein conversion efficiency, and body composition of treated and untreated fish. Finally, the treated & untreated species will be evaluated for the affect of these substances on production & palatability of edible flesh.

## 2. Breeding and Genetics

#### 002.001 CRIS0060555 FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ALA00338 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 71 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food -- genetics and breeding.

APPROACH: A crossbred population of channel catfish will be established to serve as a control for selective breeding programs. Genetic material from geographically isolated sources will be utilized. Crossbreds among blue, channel and white catfish will also be tested. Crossbreeding between species of tilapia will be utilized to produce all-male broods.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Realized heritability for body weight in a wild strain of channel catfish was found to be 0.13. However, this still resulted in an 11% increase in growth through one generation of selection. Fingerling growth of two other strains also indicates a positive response to selection. Reproduction performance of individuals selected for growth did not vary from non-selected individuals. The reproductive advantage that three-year-old crossbred channel catfish exhibited over pure-line channel catfish was not maintained as four-year-olds. Although intraspecific mating abilities did not vary, only crossbred individuals hybridized with blue catfish. Variables that appeared important for hybridization were stocking time, hormone injection, genotype, and size. Reciprocal crossbred channel catfish fingerlings did not grow at the same rate. Channel female x blue female fingerlings grew at the same rate as channel catfish fingerlings. Channel female x blue male fingerlings produced from different strains of different parents grew at different rates. Genotype x environment interactions were significant when the environmental variables were stocking density and C(2) levels.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### ANIMAL BREEDING AND GENETICS OF FISH

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ASC-2881-E Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 30 JAN 73 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Establish pedigree stocks of fish for use in estimating genetic parameters and developing efficient methods of genetic improvement of hatchery populations. Apply biochemical electrophoretic techniques to the identification of genetic variability useful in characterizing the taxonomy of wild trout populations.

APPROACH: A crossbred base population has been used to develop lines for the estimation of genetic variances and covariances for growth and reproduction. In addition data from production stocks carried by the California Department of Fish and Game will be utilized for the estimation of genetic parameters. Selection will be practiced in single trait selection lines for increased growth and reproductive performance. Standard electrophoretic and histochemical techniques are used to identify protein and enzyme polymorphisms in wild populations of trout. The latter data are used in recommending management programs for threatened and endangered species.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Significant non-genetic sources of variation were found to influence growth rate in rainbow trout including spawn date, tank, density, stress, water temperature and rate of sexual maturation. Growth to one year of age was found to be heritable and, under controlled conditions can be expected to respond to selection. Survival characteristics had high error variance but hatchability appeared to exhibit additive genetic variance under proper experimental conditions. Rainbow trout and golden trout crosses produced viable second generation progeny suggesting that interspecific hybrids will be reproductively viable.

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CRIS0080309

#### GENETIC ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF CRUSTACEAN AQUACULTURE STOCKS

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ASC-3394-E Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 01 NOV 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Assess amounts of genetic variation within and between wild-caught stocks of cultured marine crustaceans; develop lobster and shrimp broodstock in which the mating system can be demonstrated with genetic markers; estimate environmental, genetical and interaction components of growth and metabolic variability in laboratory-reared family groups.

APPROACH: The culture of marine crustaceans is currently being initiated with wild-caught gravid females; As a step towards domestication of broodstocks, we will undertake two complementary lines of research; electrophoretic studies of gene-enzyme variability both in native populations and in laboratory-reared family groups, and quantitative experimental studies of growth and metabolism in postlarval juveniles. Studies on the inheritance of electrophoretically detectable protein variants will make possible the selection of genetically tagged broodstock. These, in turn, will guarantee production of pedigreed F(1) juveniles that may be mass-reared to marketable ages. Quantitative studies on these pedigreed family groups will be used to estimate the heritabilities and genetic correlations needed for the construction of an initial selection index.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A comprehensive review of crustacean genetics literature completed this year highlights the great diversity of genetic systems and thus the need for a multifaceted approach to genetic assessment and development of potential and real aquaculture stocks. Work on the important brine shrimp, *Artemia*, has focused on the genetic and biochemical control of cyst-egg formation. Electrophoretic studies of natural populations of the freshwater prawn *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* revealed very distinct racial groups that are now being assessed for production potential in Hawaii. Reproduction of lobsters is being controlled with photoperiod, and pedigreed pure-bred and hybrid F(1)'s are being grown out by commercial pilot plants. Discovery of chemical growth inhibition among juvenile lobsters has temporarily precluded further measurement of genetic variations in growth and metabolism.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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accuray in sorting sexes. Hybrid crosses will also be made to test for unusual sex ratios.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. No progress report this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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002.004\* CRIS0075881  
ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECOLOGICAL INFLUENCES ON GENETIC VARIABILITY

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-3669-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 20 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: This project is intended to identify the ecological and environmental correlates of genetic variability in grassland and marine ecosystems. This will help us to identify the role of genetic variation in mediating population response to environmental and ecological conditions. If the results are similar, analysis of two widely different to ecosystems should produce generalizations applicable both to agricultural and natural ecosystems.

APPROACH: In both systems we shall routinely measure levels of genetic variation in enzymes using gel electrophoresis; the ecological structure of the community; and relative environmental and trophic stability. With these data we can identify what conditions are most closely associated with high genetic variability. This long-term (several years) study is principally located in the northern California coastal grassland and in the tropical Pacific. The project is currently coordinated with personnel at the University of Hawaii, the University of Washington, and the Departments of Genetics and Agronomy and Range Science at U.C. Davis.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This program currently consists of two parts. One is the direct measurement of genetic variability in a family of tropical marine gastropods. By and large, little work in research has been undertaken in this past year, although two manuscripts bearing on this work have been completed and submitted within the year. The other part of the program is the ecological assessment of a perennial grass species, *Anthoxanthum odoratum*. The program currently emphasizes the ecological aspects of increase of this species in a coastal grassland at Sea Ranch, Sonoma County, to define the limits of adaptability of a species well-known for its genetic variability. Three students are now working on this program: two abstracts and one paper have been produced in the past year. The principal result to emerge is that *Anthoxanthum* is highly successful along the coast in a variety of environments. There appears to be a strong correlation between *Anthoxanthum* abundance and soil water availability, conditioned on the presence of other perennial species which are potential competitors.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

002.005 CRIS0072302  
INTENSIVE CULTURE OF TILAPIA IN GEOTHERMAL WATERS IN THE SAN LUIS VALLEY, COLORADO

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Proj. No.: CCL00067 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 FEB 77 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop techniques to spawn tilapia year-round and to have only males for rearing either through early sorting or through hybridization to produce all male offspring.

APPROACH: Brood fish will be held under various photoperiods to determine what length induces spawning and what length inhibits spawning. With controlled spawning to produce large numbers of offspring at the same time, grading to sort faster growing, and hence larger, males will be tried for

002.006\* CRIS0065219  
CHARACTERIZATION OF GONAD-STIMULATING SUBSTANCES IN MARINE ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: FLA-VY-01673 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 14 MAR 74 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop assay for gonad-stimulating substances. Isolate and characterize substances involved in the regulation of spawning and gamete maturation. Identify and characterize neuroendocrine mechanisms involved in spawning and gamete maturation. Determine patterns of similarity among gonad-stimulating substances from different animals.

APPROACH: An assay system for gonadotrophins, similar to the one used for starfish, will be developed. Purification of the gonadotrophins will be accomplished by chromatography. The mechanism of action will be studied using purified substances. Patterns of similarity among isolated gonadotrophins will be investigated by determining amino acid sequences, physical and chemical properties and mode of action.

PROGRESS: 74/03 TO 80/12. Warm water marine teleosts which lay pelagic eggs, (snapper, grouper, mackerel, trout, drum, etc.), are a group of fish of major importance to mariculture, sport fishing and commercial fisheries. The pinfish, *Lagodon rhomboides*, was selected from this group as a model for the study of toxins, hormones, etc. which effect gamete maturation and spawning. Photoperiod and several mammalian hormones were found to be highly stimulatory. The development of mature oocytes to ripe eggs could be induced, stripped from the fish, fertilized and normal yolk-sac larvae produced. Culture of ovarian follicles and follicle cells in vitro was investigated to determine the action of hormones and toxins directly on the ovary. A defined medium was developed to further simplify these studies and reduce complex interactions and metabolic conversions. Stem cells in the follicle appears to differentiate to oocytes following LH stimulation. Estradiol-17- $\beta$  is the primary stimulator for vitellogenin production, and a primary and secondary response to estrogen was independent of salinity but dependent on water temperature. Toxicity of copper to the fish and the reproductive process was investigated because of the hazard presented by environmental copper poisoning and the importance of copper in disease control. A potassium intoxication follows copper poisoning caused by cell damage and failure of osmoregulation by the gills and kidneys.

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: GEO00286

Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop and Improve Production and Management Systems for Freshwater Animals Culture for Food, Genetics and Breeding.

APPROACH: Estimation of genetic parameters of commercially important characters. Selection of growth, viability, feed conversion, dressing percentage and fecundity. Selection will be made initially on fish raised in high-density tanks with subsequent evaluation in ponds. Development through individual and family selection of a genetically improved strain of channel catfish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. One generation of bi-directional selection for body weight and size uniformity has increased body weight and total length at 40 wks of age 22.2% and 9.2% and 3.2% respectively. The rates of decline in the downward line were 18.7% for body weight and 4.1% for total length. Family coefficient of variation for 40-wk body weight in the upward line was also 7% less than in the downward line. Fingerlings produced from 5-year old brood channel catfish weighed 20% less and were 8% shorter in total length than fingerlings produced from 3-year old brood fish. Multipletrait selected fingerlings were also 10.4% heavier in body weight and 3.3% longer in total length than unelected control fingerlings at 40 weeks of age. Genetic selection for growth rate will continue for several generations. One generation of inbreeding study with channel catfish resulted in 7.4% and 5.5% growth depression at 16 and 40 weeks of age, respectively. A study concerning the effects of albinism on growth of channel catfish indicated that normal fingerlings were in a 13% and 20% growth advantage over their full-sib albinos at 16 and 28 weeks of age, respectively. The albinos, however, possessed the ability to compensate in growth at 40 and 70 weeks of age.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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PRAWN AQUACULTURE PROGRAM - BIOLOGICAL BASIS OF PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: HAW00250-S

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: To aid the development of an improved feed and better feed management; to aid the development of management strategies for crises associated with low oxygen levels in ponds; to test management strategies emphasizing the pattern of growth (observed size-frequency distribution) in pond populations of prawns; to contribute to the controlled domestication of prawns; and to aid the development of alternative stocking and harvesting strategies and management systems.

APPROACH: To determine oxygen budget and nutrient flux to simulated pond ecosystems; to size grade prawn populations and test them against ungraded groups; raise and compare growth of individuals under a variety of confinements; determine tolerances and

growth to low fluctuating dissolved oxygen and temperature; assess the degree of domestication between cultured stocks and wild ancestors; estimate the heritability of size variation using analysis of variance in full and half sib families; and compare larval growth among genetic groups.

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GENETICS OF NATURAL FISH POPULATIONS

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Proj. No.: IOW02235

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop biochemical/genetic approaches to fish taxonomy and to certain problems of fisheries management by electrophoresis by body tissue proteins. Several subprograms are recognized. Survey and compare natural populations of fishes with respect to levels of electrophoretically detectable genetic diversity, determine taxonomic relationships of selected fish species on the basis of biochemical/genetic characters, compare wild and hatchery stocks of sport fishes on a genetic basis in order to evaluate the genetic impact of stocking programs.

APPROACH: Fish populations will be sampled by seines, nets and electrofishing, as appropriate. Blood and tissue samples will be analyzed by starch and acrylamide gel electrophoresis. Biochemical staining procedures will be used to identify specific proteins. Protein patterns will be analyzed and qualitatively and quantitatively, based on allelic frequencies of polymorphic loci.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 78/12. Two manuscripts were prepared on an investigation of the genetic impact of stocking upon wild brook trout populations. Wild trout were collected from nine streams in central Wisconsin and domesticated fish were sampled from the Osceola State Trout Hatchery, Wisconsin. Over many years, the study streams had variously received light to heavy stocking of Osceola trout. Blood plasma and whole-eye homogenate samples from the trout were analyzed electrophoretically for genetic variation in the transferrin and lactate dehydrogenase systems. The hatchery stock was genetically distinctive from most wild populations at two genetic loci. There were significant correlations between stream stocking histories and allelic frequencies at the Ldh-E(2) locus, the wild type allele decreasing in frequency as stocking intensity increased. This relationship does not seem to reflect interbreeding between wild and hatchery trout, however. Rather, it may indicate alteration of selective pressures induced by ecological interactions between the two stocks.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 78/12

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BREEDING, PRODUCTION, NUTRITION AND MARKETING OF CHANNEL CATFISH

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Proj. No.: KAN00962

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 SEP 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Obtain quantitative data on the growth rates of selective strains of channel catfish and the reaction of selected strains to different dietary formulations. Identify interaction of growth rates, diets and pond water quality degradation. Quantify water quality parameters associated with pond degradation and develop methods of maintaining water quality. Develop methods for product storage and flavor quality.



APPROACH: Earthen ponds will be used to replicated experiments to test diets against four strains of channel catfish. Growth rates will be used to compare the effect of diet on strain performance and for between-strain performance using a factorial arrangement of treatments. Full and half sib analysis will be used to compare within-strain performance. Dietary treatments will include evaluation of protein quality and quantity. Effect of diets with different nutrient densities involving nutrients such as vitamins and minerals will be evaluated in relationship to protein levels.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/06. Ponds treated with cobalt chloride as a trace component of fertilizer were not found to produce more channel catfish than control ponds. Cobalt chloride was added to the diet of channel catfish to determine if vitamin B12 could be spared by the addition of this trace mineral. No significant difference was recorded in growth rates of fish receiving normal amounts of B12 and those fish receiving cobalt in place of B12 in purified diets. Significant differences were found in serum proteins between three of five populations of catfish. Additional differences in these populations were found in serum esterase patterns. It was concluded that the population of channel catfish in the White River, Arkansas and the Blue River, Kansas, were different from each other and from the other three populations examined. A domestic population from Arkansas, a domestic population from Kansas and wild population in the Kansas River, Kansas.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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IMPROVEMENT OF CATFISH STOCK THROUGH SELECTIVE BREEDING

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Proj. No.: LAE01524 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 70 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Improve catfish stock, used in fish culture, by selective breeding for fast growth rate, high dressing percentage, and other desirable traits.

APPROACH: Initially, five spawns of channel catfish will be collected for each of four populations from diverse areas of the southeastern United States. Each spawn will be stocked separately in a pond. At maturity male and female sibs will be mated for each of the four populations. All possible crosses and reciprocal crosses between the four populations will be made. Ultimately, it is hoped to develop inbred lines for crossing.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Fifteen channel catfish families from the Yazoo strain and eight from the LSU strain were tested for genetic variability in mortality rate at a low level of dissolved oxygen (1.1±0.01 mg/l). Channel catfish fry of both strains ranging from 2 to 10 days of age were administered low dissolved oxygen shock tests for 10-hour periods following 12-hour acclimation. There was no significant difference (P greater than 0.05) between the LSU and Yazoo strains in mortality. Test fish of each strain averaged 63% mortality during the shock tests. No significant differences (P greater than 0.05) were detected among the age groups of fry (3 and 4; 5 and 6; 7 and 8; and 9 and 10 days old). There were highly significant (P less than 0.01) and significant (P less than 0.05) intra-class correlations among the families. These led to high heritability estimates for the trait of being resistant to low dissolved oxygen. The heritability estimates ranged from 0.9 ± 0.3 to 1.7 ± 0.1. These inflated heritability estimates were probably due to excess environmental effects common to each family. Based on the high intra-class correlations for low-DO resistance found in this study, one could probably select among 2 to 10-day-old channel catfish fry for the trait of being resistant to low DO. It is not known, however, whether the ability to resist low DO at these ages will hold for the same fish or family of fish at older ages, such as among grow-out fish

for the food market or brood fish.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: LAB01878 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve Production and Management Systems for Freshwater Animals Cultured for Food, Genetics and Breeding, Culture Systems.

APPROACH: Catfish. Improved strains of channel catfish will be developed through cross-breeding and progeny testing. Crawfish. Various agricultural by-products will be fed to crawfish in replicated ponds. Production per acre will be compared between treatments. Populations of crawfish will be monitored in ponds to determine management techniques. Various stocking rates and feeds will be tested with crawfish in tanks. Crawfish will be stocked together with various other species to determine best combinations for increasing production. Traditional trapping methods will be compared, and new methods, such as the use of electricity, will be tested.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research conducted on catfish management under well-aerated culture and prawn-catfish culture indicated: (1) Catfish were stocked into ponds at rates of 7,500, 15,000, and 22,000 per ha. All ponds received aeration each day from 0200 hrs until 1 hr after sunset. In control unaerated ponds, catfish were stocked at 7,500 per ha. Fish in all ponds were fed a commercial ration containing 36% protein. Production of catfish in kg/ha was: 2717 at a stocking of 7,500; 3,474 at 15,000; and 5,277 at 22,000. In non-aerated ponds production was 1,870 kg/ha. (2) Prawns were stocked into ponds at rates of 25,000/ha, at 50,000/ha, and at 25,000/ha plus channel catfish fry at 75,000/ha. Ponds were also stocked with catfish fry only at 75,000/ha. Prawns and catfish in all ponds were fed Purina catfish chow. Prawn survival, 22%, and production 265 kg/ha were greatest in ponds stocked at 25,000/ha. This production was much lower than that from 1979 study at a stocking density of 25,000/ha. Overall, catfish survival was 33% and production was 695 kg/ha.

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DEVELOPMENT OF METHODS FOR MASS PRODUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF BULLFROGS

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Proj. No.: LAB01445  
Agency ID: SAES

Project Type: STATE  
Period: 01 SEP 68 To 31 JAN 84

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the effects on tadpoles of diet and water quality. Development of pelleted diets for bullfrogs. Determine methods of disease control in tadpoles and bullfrogs. Effect of environmental factors and hormone injections on controlled reproduction. Influence of selective breeding on improved growth, acceptance of artificial foods and other useful characteristics.

**APPROACH:** Modify protein, fats, carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals in tadpole diets and determine the effect on food conversion, growth, abnormalities, etc.; modify water pH and determine effects on growth, mortality and disease occurrence. Determine the effect of temperature, photoperiod and hormone injections on reproductive development. Determine the relationship between diet and mortality due to gut pathogens. Attempt to develop a method to immunize bullfrogs.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies involving the effect of pH of the culture water on disease occurrence in the larvae showed that mortality related to disease increased at pH values above 7.0. The optimum pH appears to be between 6.5 to 6.9. The presence or absence of calcium in the water could not be related to disease at various pH levels. Abnormalities increased when calcium was low (less than 2mg/l in water and less than 0.5% in diet). Addition of calcium to the water did not reduce abnormalities, but addition to the food (and not water) up to 5% did reduce abnormalities. Selection of bullfrogs for accepting non-living food (F(3) generation) showed no improvement in the number of animals responding over previous generations. This phase of the study was terminated. Selection studies for rapid growth produced an F(3) generation. Growth rates are currently being monitored. Reproduction studies showed that wild-caught females could be brought into ovulatable condition in the laboratory within eight weeks when placed on a heavy feeding program, 20-25 degrees C and 12 hr light. Repeated ovulations were achieved within 8 to 12 weeks. Transition metals play significant roles in controlling the production of toxins by pathogenic bacterial in the presence of certain amino acids. The addition of Zinc stimulated production and iron inhibited production.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**FRESHWATER POOD ANIMALS**

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Proj. No.: MIS-0815

Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CS55

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop and improve production and management system for freshwater animals cultured for food. Nutrition, genetics and breeding. Evaluate the economics of production processing and marketing of freshwater food animals. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

**APPROACH:** Project is multidisciplinary with Departments of Biochemistry, Horticulture, Agricultural Economics, and Wildlife and Fisheries. Least cost rations will be tested in aquaria and one-tenth acre ponds. Genetics parameters, heritability, and genetic correlations estimated for several traits with concurrent selection program. Amino acid requirements on quantitative basis and digestibility of common feed stuffs determined for catfish. Processing methods compared for dress out yield, with standard nutritional values of catfish flesh determined.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Apparent and true amino acid availability values have been determined for the following feed ingredients commonly used in catfish feeds: corn, wheat middlings, rice bran, rice mill feed, soybean meal, peanut meal, cottonseed meal, meat and bone meal, and menhaden fish meal. Fingerling channel catfish appear to be more sensitive to the antinutritional factors present in soybean meal than poultry. Studies are currently being conducted to determine the adverse effects of trypsin inhibitors and flavones in soybean meal on catfish. Duckweed (Family Lemnaceae) was incorporated at 15 and 20% into isocaloric diets formulated to meet or exceed nutritional requirements of channel catfish. Diets containing duckweed performed as well as the control. Cottonseed meal was incorporated into isocaloric diets at 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25% of the basal diet. Growth suppression of channel catfish was noted at the 20 and 25% cottonseed meal levels. The procedure for canning tuna-style channel catfish was refined, further data on heat-processing developed, and work was initiated on a consumer acceptance study. Selection of catfish for weight gain, gain in dress out percentage, and decreased percent fat with 25% for high selection and 25% low selection was completed. Fish will be mated at 2 years of age to decrease age at maturity. A Micro-computer program designed to provide information for Management decision-making has been developed. This system computes daily feeding rates by pond and projects feeding days to harvest.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**DISEASE-RESISTANT OYSTERS**

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Proj. No.: NJ32504

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 AUG 64 To 30 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Verify the relative high resistance of Delaware Bay oyster stocks to MSX, increase the supply of such oysters, study and modify current procedures for artificial rearing of oysters, experimentally transmit MSX in the laboratory and increase the yield of market oysters by the control of predators.

**APPROACH:** Field experiments will be established to accomplish most of the objectives. Disease free oysters will be imported and planted where necessary, various chemicals will be tested for the control of shell-fouling and oyster drills. Laboratory procedures will be established to study artificial rearing of oyster and to experimentally transmit MSX under controlled conditions so that the nature of this disease will be more fully known.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Earlier reports have emphasized that the epizootic oyster disease, commonly called MSX, which first appeared in Delaware Bay in 1957, has been continuously present in the Bay since then. Its prevalence and intensity have fluctuated in cyclic fashion with 3 periods of low prevalence in 1962, 1971 and 1978. Intervening periods of high prevalence have not been consistently correlated with any environmental factor or set of factors. Survival of the Delaware Bay oyster industry



has been based on the availability, at reasonable cost, of a moderately disease-resistant seed from the upper Bay natural beds. Our studies have shown, that, on long-term average, an oyster planter may expect to lose approximately 38% of his oysters to disease in the first year after planting. In good years, like 1978, this loss will drop to 15 - 20%. In bad years, like 1972 and 1980, the disease loss alone approaches 50%. This disease loss in 1980, coupled with poor growth and condition in the surviving oysters, resulted in a disastrous year for the planters. Our work in this project enabled us to evaluate the 1980 losses and place them in long-term perspective. Our more rigidly selected, laboratory-reared stocks of resistant oysters held up well under the 1980 disease pressure with mortality rates in these experimental stocks at 1/5 to 1/2 those of the native resistant seed stock.

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CRYOGENIC PRESERVATION OF SPERM FROM WARMWATER FISHES

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Proj. No.: NC05373 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 76 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Investigations of methods of cryopreserving sperm from warmwater fishes in a viable state.

APPROACH: The primary emphasis of this project will be to screen those extender and diluents which have been used with success for coldwater species to determine if any would also be of value for use with selected warmwater species. Species to be used will include the striped bass and one or more members of the family Centrarchidae.

PROGRESS: 76/10 TO 78/12. Cryopreservation techniques using sperm from striped bass were investigated using a Linde controlled-rate freezing apparatus. Fourteen different media extended with three different concentrations (5%, 7.5% and 10%) of dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO), glycerol, ethylene glycol, and propylene glycol were tested. Motility of cryopreserved spermatozoa following thawing was extremely difficult to determine. However, fertilization rates up to 56% were attained when cryopreserved sperm were mixed with freshly-spawned eggs. DMSO was found to be the only adequate extender. No fertilization was obtained using any of the other three extenders. The best media were those which contained lecithin. The difficulty in maintaining consistency in fertilization ability from one set of frozen samples to the next probably resulted from the inability to accurately control the freezing rate through the freezing point. Additional work with better equipment is required to further refine the techniques.

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CRYOGENIC PRESERVATION OF SPERM FROM STRIPED BASS

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Proj. No.: NC05461 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 79 To 31 DEC 83

OBJECTIVES: Improve freezing techniques for striped bass sperm to achieve more consistent results; develop methods for freezing large volumes of semen for use under hatchery production conditions.

APPROACH: Striped bass sperm will be cryopreserved using previously developed extenders and dimethyl sulfoxide as the cryoprotectant. Sperm will be frozen at different, carefully controlled rates and different types of containers (french straws, NUNC vials, and blood bags) and stored in liquid nitrogen.

Samples will be thawed and fertilization tests will be used to determine conditions under which fertilization capacity of the cells is maximized.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Striped bass semen was cryopreserved at various carefully controlled freezing rates (from -1 to -30 degrees C/min) using four previously developed extenders. Dimethylsulfoxide (5% of media) was used as a cryoprotectant. Results of fertilization experiments indicated that the freezing rate needs to be at least -5 degrees C/min for acceptable results, but more rapid rates (up to -30 degrees/min did not appear to provide additional improvement. Egg quality was frequently a problem, however, and may have helped to mask freezing rate effects. Work this year demonstrated that mass production of striped bass fry using cryopreserved sperm is feasible, but is not yet as efficient as using fresh sperm. Over 2,000,000 fry were produced using the frozen sperm. Two separate pond experiments (utilizing six 1.0-acre ponds and six 0.5-acre ponds) indicated no significant differences in survival or growth between fish produced using fresh sperm and fish produced with cryopreserved sperm.

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002.018 CRIS0078543  
AN EVALUATION OF STRIPED BASS X WHITE BASS HYBRIDS  
AND STRIPED BASS X WHITE PERCH HYBRIDS

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Proj. No.: NC05430 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: To evaluate the potential of striped bass x white bass and striped bass x white perch hybrids for use in aquaculture and to disseminate acquired knowledge to interested individuals.

APPROACH: Hybrids will be cultured in 0.1 hectare ponds using both fresh and brackish (ca. 10 0/100) water sources. Two ponds will be used for cage culture experiments to evaluate hybrid response to limited space and crowding. The experiments will provide data concerning comparative survival, growth and adaptability of the two hybrids to pond and cage culture in both fresh and brackish water. Additionally, food preferences of the larval hybrids will be determined.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Approximately 1.3 million larval striped bass x white bass and 0.6 million striped bass x white perch larvae were produced using artificial fertilization procedures, demonstrating for the second year that the hybrids can be readily produced using existing techniques. Most were placed into intensive culture troughs at the project site. The remainder were stocked in ponds at the Dennis Wildlife Center and the Orangeburg National Fish Hatchery in South Carolina for grow-out to fingerlings. Because culture ponds were not completed at the project site, fish were cultured under intensive conditions in the laboratory and in a series of 24-foot diameter (11,000 gallon capacity) plastic-lined pools. An important advance was development of a method to train larvae to accept dry diet at an earlier age. By presenting large concentrations of small particles of the dry food, and by keeping it in constant motion through vigorous aeration of the water, we were able to convert the larvae to dry diet at about 15 mm. Previously larvae did not convert until they were 40 mm long. Fingerling striped bass x white bass hybrids obtained from the Orangeburg NFB in January were grown in plastic-lined pools and in cages until September 1980. Mean weight when stocked was 8.1 g (range = 3.0 - 33.0 g). At harvest the fish weighed an average of 266 g (range = 32 - 522 g).

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FISH GENETICS

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Proj. No.: ORE00846 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 20 JUL 66 To 01 JUL 80

OBJECTIVES: Conduct original research in fish genetics and ecology. Apply findings of research toward clarification of existing problems of race identification, hatchery improvement, evolution of fishes, and genetic tolerance to heavy metal poisoning for fishes. Incorporate graduate instruction and research into each of the above objectives.

APPROACH: Population genetics, DNA homology studies, cytogenetic and Mendelian genetics studies, toxicity studies, and graduate level instruction in fish genetics and fish culture.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Objectives include facilitating salmon and trout culture by determining phenotypic control of development, particularly stages during smoltification. Experiments on effects of transportation of coho and chinook indicated that post-release performance could be affected. Wild cut-throat tend to dominate hatchery coho salmon. Detection of imprinting odorants may vary during smoltification. Hormone therapy can be used to induce spawning in coho salmon in both fresh and saltwater.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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002.020 CRIS0067332  
GENETIC STUDIES OF ABERNATHY CREEK CHINOOK SALMON

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Proj. No.: ORE00277 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 74 To 30 JUN 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine the relative survival and antibody titers between biochemical genotypes; determine the genotype frequencies in juveniles produced and released at Abernathy Creek, and subsequently, to determine the genotype frequencies in the adults returning to Abernathy Creek.

APPROACH: Protein systems previously examined for genetically based variability in chinook salmon will be used in addition to any other variable systems found. The genetic basis of variables will be validated by comparing parental and offspring genotypes for the 1973 brood. Tissue samples from the 1973 brood parents adequate for these analyses have been obtained and samples from their offspring will be obtained prior to release early in 1974. Samples for the required analyses will be obtained from "production" fish prior to release in 1974, 1975, and 1976. Tissue samples from adults returning to Abernathy Creek in 1974, 1975, and 1976, and from smolts released in 1974 and 1975 will be examined also. Electrophoretic studies will be conducted to determine isozyme variation. Microtiters for several

diseases.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 78/12. Fall chinook salmon selected for yield (return to fishery plus hatchery) did not produce offspring with a higher survival in the hatchery up to the time of release.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 78/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

002.021 CRIS0069128  
BIOCHEMICAL GENETICS AND CYTOGENETICS OF TROUT

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Proj. No.: PEN02213 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine soluble protein types, their genetic bases, linkage and cytogenetic relations, and pleiotropic effects; banding patterns of chromosomes to be determined; use of these traits in differentiating strains of trout.

APPROACH: Tissue samples of trout strains from Pennsylvania Fish Commission and Federal hatcheries will be subjected to electrophoresis and histochemical staining to detect protein types. Genetic, statistical, and cytogenetic analyses, including chromosome banding patterns, will be performed on trout which differ for these traits.

PROGRESS: 76/07 TO 80/06. Electrophoretic examination of approximately 25 enzymes involving 40 gene loci in the tetraploid derivative trouts provided the basis for joint segregation analyses of pairwise combinations of loci. From over 400 such combinations in testcross matings involving 21 loci, nine linkage groupings were found in brook trout and/or lake trout x brook trout hybrids. Six are classical linkage groups since both males and females showed non-random assortment of loci. Three cases involving duplicated loci for IDH, MDH and AAT show pseudolinkage; that is, random assortment in females but excess non-parental gametes from males. The 2n chromosome number in brook trout strains studied was 84, consisting of 68 acrocentrics and 16 metacentrics. All females show the expected 42 bivalent pairing at meiotic pachytene, but males show variable numbers of bivalent (homologous) and tetravalent (homoeologous) pairs at metaphase I. Tetravalents consist of two metacentrics and two acrocentrics - the apparent evolutionary result of centric fusions of non-homologous acrocentrics to form metacentrics whose one arm pairs sometimes with homoeologous acrocentrics in the male environment. Male pseudolinkage of duplicated loci may be explained by homoeologous (tetravalent) pairing in which marker alleles on metacentrics and those on acrocentrics are transmitted to separate (non-parental) gametes. Crossing over in the tetravalents would account for another observed result in which unexpected progeny types occur in low frequency.

PUBLICATIONS: 76/07 TO 80/06

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002.022 CRIS0076879  
BIOCHEMICAL GENETICS AND CYTOGENETICS OF TROUT

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Proj. No.: PEN02477 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine the genetic bases of electrophoretically variable isozymes in brook, brown, rainbow and lake trout and hybrids; study chromosomes of normal and sex-reversed fish; and



relate these studies to evolution of trout genomes.

**APPROACH:** Electrophoresis and histochemical staining of tissue extracts of trout from state and federal hatcheries will identify trout to be mated to maximize the number of gene loci to be studied for joint segregation analyses. Cytogenetic analyses, including chromosome banding patterns, will be performed on normal and sex-reversed parents and progeny.

**PROGRESS:** 80/07 TO 80/12. The  $2n$  chromosome number was found to be 60 (44 metacentrics, 16 acrocentrics) in most of our rainbow trout strains, 58 (46 metacentrics, 12 acrocentrics) in others, and 58, 59 (45 metacentrics, 14 acrocentrics), or 60 in one strain. This variation in number represents homozygosity ( $2n = 58$ ) or heterozygosity ( $2n = 59$ ) for a Robertsonian (centric fusion) translocation of two acrocentrics. In all strains, a sub-acrocentric sex chromosome pair is discernible, the male being the heterogametic sex. Meiotic studies reveal bivalent pairing in females but highly pairing patterns within individual males. In the  $2n = 58$  or 60 males, metacentrics pair in bivalent, tetravalent, or hexavalent rings or as rod tetravalents having two metacentrics and two acrocentrics; remaining acrocentrics pair as rod bivalents. In  $2n = 59$  males (heterozygotes for Robertsonian fusion) the metacentric pairs with two acrocentrics to form a trivalent rod. In  $2n = 60$  males octavalent rings are present also. All male meiotic figures contain a unique subacrocentric rod bivalent, apparently the sex chromosomes. The multivalent and bivalent pairing patterns apparently represent random, mixed homologous or homologous pairing in males of this tetraploid derivative species. Evolution of the tetraploid karyotype towards a diploid one was through the fusion of non-homologous acrocentrics, coupled with retention of homology among duplicated chromosome arms in males.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/07 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

002.023 CRIS0076533  
**FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS**

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Proj. No.: PK00322 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 14 SEP 78 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food: Nutrition, genetics and breeding and culture systems.

**APPROACH:** Experiments will be designed to determine practical feeds for *Tilapia* spp. under tropical conditions. Digestibility coefficients for these diets will be determined for each species. Development and evaluations of suitable breeding and sexing techniques for mass production of *Tilapia* species and monosex hybrids. Determine optimum stocking densities and growth of *Tilapia* spp. in cage cultures and ponds utilizing supplementary feeding and/or pond fertilization. Flavor and texture of the fish (fresh and processed) will be determined by organoleptic tests.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Six 1 m 3 floating cages were suspended in three 0.1 ha ponds and stocked with either 150, 300, 450, or 650 *Tilapia nilotica* fingerlings (75 to 125 mm/long) per cage. At least one of these densities was either fed a 30% protein sinking pellet at a rate of 4% total body weight daily, six days per week, or not fed. This preliminary study was conducted for 77 days at which time the fish from each cage were weighed and measured. Fish that were not fed merely maintained their initial stocking weight, regardless of density. Fish fed 4% daily gained 0.77, 0.70, 0.58, and 0.53 g/day in cages stocked with 150, 300, 450, and 600 fish/cage, respectively. This indicated *T. nilotica* fed a complete ration grew at a slower rate in cages when stocked at higher densities. The above preliminary study indicates the need to determine the

optimum stocking density of *T. nilotica* in cages. The effects of pond size may also be important and needs to be studied in conjunction with density. An experiment will be conducted during 1981 to determine these effects. Cages will be suspended in ponds of either 0.70 ha or 0.16 ha and stocked with either 250, 500, 750, or 1000 fingerlings/cage. All fishes will be fed an equal percentage of the total body weight per cage.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

002.024 CRIS0071721  
**BREEDING EXPERIMENTS WITH SALMONIDS**

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Proj. No.: RI00822 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 15 NOV 76 To 14 NOV 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Two major problems in profitable rearing of cultured salmon are; reduced growth rate at the onset of sexual maturation and subsequent death of a proportion of the stock during spawning. Fish sterility might alleviate both problems. Induced triploidy in plaice and plaice x flounder hybrids are partially or completely sterile, but the condition has not been described for salmon. In addition, systematic selection should increase the process of domestication and improve growth, feed conversion, and carcass quality in salmon under intensive fish culture systems.

**APPROACH:** Eggs stripped from ripe female trout will be exposed to various levels of colchicine and related compounds to induce polyploidy which will be determined by chromosome analysis of the embryo cells. Growth, viability, and the development of sexual activity in polyploidy fish will be evaluated. Salmonid species and hybrids will be obtained and evaluated on their performance in water re-use systems.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The production of polyploidy by induced spawning and cold shocking was completed. Mosaic polyploids were produced and their growth and development followed. They appear to grow at a faster rate and no sterility was noted. Work was begun in sex alteration with the feeding of .004 mg methyltestosterone for 900 degree days to fry coming on feed. Results were variable with some sterility resulting. Alteration of the sex ratio was in favor of males but not significantly so. The Atlantic salmon kelts were reconditioned but mortality to disease was extreme. Post mortem's indicated fish were developing eggs for fall spawning. Only one fish survived to spawn. Thirteen survived at the DEM facility, however, only one spawned. Canadian kelts were obtained in December 1980 for reconditioning.

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**FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS**

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Proj. No.: TEN00491 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food.

**APPROACH:** Standard methods will be employed to determine the effects of steroids and selected marking techniques (branding, tagging, mutilation) on survival and growth of catfish. Polycultural methods using food fishes such as catfish, sunfish hybrids, etc., will be compared to monocultural practices as relating to growth and total production.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Experimentation evaluating the feasibility of polyculturing channel catfish and tilapia in a high-density, flow-through system was completed. Growth and condition of catfish were significantly reduced in all polyculture treatments as compared to monoculture treatment. Correlation of species densities (3:1, 6:1, 12:1 tilapia/catfish) and growth of catfish resulted in a significant negative relationship. Tilapia growth and condition were unaffected except at the highest stocking density. Water quality parameters were similar between the treatments, except for dissolved oxygen levels which at times were lower in the polyculture treatments. A tetracycline-resistant strain of *Edwardsiella tarda* was isolated from infected fish; this is the first report of this strain in channel catfish. Preliminary work was restricted to examine the feasibility of using freshwater mussels as a food source. Replicate samples using the washboard variety of mussel are being examined for composition, microbial profile, and quality of surrounding water.

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#### 002.026 CRIS0075320 METAPHASE CHROMOSOME BANDING OF FRESHWATER FISHES

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Proj. No.: TEX06187 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 28 APR 78 To 27 APR 83

OBJECTIVES: Development of techniques and procedures which give consistent chromosome banding of rainbow trout, largemouth bass and channel catfish. Application of chromosome banding to fish resource management and teleostean research.

APPROACH: Analysis of metaphase chromosome banding patterns of populations of three freshwater fish species (rainbow trout, *Salmo gairdneri*; largemouth bass, *Micropterus salmoides*; and channel catfish, *Ictalurus punctatus*) will be undertaken using basic and established methods in order to resolve individual, unique chromosomes of each species. The resolution of individual chromosomes will be used in both applied and basic research.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. We have recently obtained at least partially banded karyotypes for four species belonging to three cyprinid fish genera. Our findings show that longitudinal patterns such as G-, Q-, and R-bands appear conserved in these fishes, at least to the level generally observed in many vertebrates. Constitutive heterochromatin (C-) banding patterns, however, appear heterogeneous both within and among species. This type of chromosomal variation may thus be of considerable importance in documenting genetic differentiation among populations of fish species, and in understanding the role of this type of chromatin structure in the genetics and development of fishes. Much of our work in the coming year will focus on this type of variation. Another important recent finding was the discovery of an apparent gene amplification event in the common minnow, *Notropis lutrensis*. Briefly, using silver impregnation techniques, we were able to demonstrate nearly a three-fold increase in chromosomal material on the short arm of the sex chromosome in this species. This was an important observation for two reasons. First, much of the amplified material contained the chromosomal genes for ribosomal RNA. These are vital genes relative to cell growth and function, and it may now be possible to experimentally alter growth rates in fish by manipulating ribosomal DNA content. The second reason was that the remainder of the amplified material was acromatically and homogeneously stained.

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#### 002.027 CRIS0061207 FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: TEX02831 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food, including: Nutrition, genetics and breeding, water quality, diseases, and culture systems. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Various methods will be utilized to meet the objectives of the overall S-38 project in the several cooperating institutions. The thrust of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station will be on channel catfish, tilapia and freshwater shrimp, with emphasis being placed on objectives I above, especially nutrition, water quality and culture systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Lipid energy requirements of channel catfish fry were evaluated with semipurified diets over the period from onset of feeding until the fish reached several grams in weight. The data obtained will be utilized to aid in the preparation of fry feeds specifically developed for channel catfish. It is anticipated that the protein: energy ratio will be adjusted as food particle size is increased during the initial year of life. Semipurified diets with varying lipid sources and percentages revealed no significant differences in channel catfish fingerling growth over the lipid range from 6 to 14% at a mean temperature of 22 degrees C, though fish fed 10% lipid were slightly larger in mean size at the end of the 20 week experiment. Fatty acid composition revealed that there were no significantly different patterns among diets with the same lipid source, but there were differences among lipid sources with respect to final fatty acid composition. Polyculture studies with freshwater shrimp and tilapia revealed some depressed growth when the two were stocked together, but in general, feeding on the basis of estimated fish biomass will yield a secondary shrimp crop, without the need to provide shrimp feed. Overwintering of large numbers of tilapia is being conducted to determine if the technique is feasible for use in central Texas and to provide fish for a study of second year growth potential of this fish. Plastic and fiberglass covered ponds as well as indoor overwintering facilities are being compared.

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002.028 CRIS0062972  
DEVELOP OF AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS FOR COOL WATER FISH SPECIES

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Proj. No.: WIS01953 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 72 To 30 AUG 81

OBJECTIVES: Maintain a facility for fish growing operations and research as a service unit. Improve the reproductive efficiency of cool water species of fish to be used in aquaculture. Improve the acceptability and nutritive value of formulated feeds used in aquaculture. Improve methods of yellow perch fingerling production.

APPROACH: The aquaculture research facility at 6080 McKee Road, Madison, WI and the outside ponds on the UW Experimental Farms will be maintained and operated to provide research facilities and fish to be used in aquaculture research. Selective breeding of yellow perch and other cool water species will be used to improve the strains of fish and adapt them to aquaculture operations. Studies on the preservation of fish sperm, ova, and fertilized eggs by cryobiological methods will be made. Various types of protein sources will be investigated for incorporation into formulated diets used in fish growing operations. The care, management and productivity of outside ponds for fingerling production will be investigated.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Project emphasis over the past 4 years has been on developing methods of commercially culturing yellow perch indoors in closed water-recycling systems. Research has shown that this type of culture is technically feasible, through the application of sanitary engineering principles but is too capital intensive for commercial development. Project emphasis has been shifted to pond, raceway and cage culture, both for commercial applications and mild fisheries enhancement. The project has also worked extensively on diet development, control of reproduction, cryopreservation of sperm, and fingerling production of coolwater species of fish. Dietary recommendations regarding coolwater fish production have been made available through the National Coolwater Fish Diet Steering Committee. Methods for controlling reproduction in coolwater fish have been developed and applied to improve the predictability of spawning. Sperm from yellow perch, northern pike and walleye have been frozen, stored and later used to fertilize eggs. Such research will aid in improving the efficiency and profitability of fish rearing operations, whether they be for commercial purposes or fishery enhancement.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

### 3. Diseases, Parasites, Pests, Weeds

003.001 CRIS0045406  
TRANSMISSION OF CULTURED CATFISH VIRUS: DETECTION BY IMMUNOLOGICAL METHODS

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Proj. No.: 7602-20440-001-A Project Type: COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 05 JUN 79 To 31 MAY 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine vertical transmission of channel catfish virus disease by adult catfish to susceptible young fish by immunological methods.

APPROACH: Current immunological procedures will be evaluated as techniques for detecting virus in artificially-infected broodstock and naturally-infected fingerlings. Isolation of virus will be attempted by tissue culture techniques from broodstock and fingerlings. Reproductive products and

excretory products of broodstock will be collected and assayed for virus. Egg massed, fry and fingerlings will be assayed for virus by serological and tissue culture techniques.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The indirect and direct immunofluorescent antibody techniques are being evaluated for detection of channel catfish virus in tissue culture cells. The direct immunofluorescent antibody technique has worked to detect virus in infected catfish. The variables of the immunofluorescent antibody techniques are being studied for making the techniques diagnostic.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.002 CRIS0082059  
TRANSMISSION AND IMMUNOLOGY OF CHANNEL CATFISH VIRUS DISEASE OF CULTURED CATFISH

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Proj. No.: ALA-27-0007 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 80 To 01 JUL 83

OBJECTIVES: Demonstration of a carrier state or latency of channel catfish virus in channel catfish (CCV). Determine the mode of vertical CCV transmission through a breeding study. Determine the influence of environmental factors on the epizootiology of CCV disease.

APPROACH: The carrier state will be demonstrated by infecting susceptible fish and applying virological and immunological techniques; the site of virus replication will be determined. Latency will be studied by attempts to restimulate CCV shedding through various stress and other types of techniques. Vertical transmission will be demonstrated by utilizing survivors of known CCV epizootics on broodstock and hatching and holding progeny to demonstrate virus transmission. Effects of environmental stress on CCV outbreaks will be demonstrated by exposing sub-lethally infected fish to various environmental conditions including crowding, low O<sub>2</sub>, high temperature, etc.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. Efforts to perfect the application of FA procedures for detection for CCV are continuing using goat anti-CCV serum in both the direct and indirect method. Results are inconsistent in CCV infected cell cultures and fish. Preliminary experimental infections in sub-adult channel catfish resulted in isolation of CCV from gonads, kidney and spleen at 72 hr PI but not from liver or brain. At 144 hr. PI, CCV was isolated only from gonade. Indirect FA procedures failed to demonstrate virus antigen in any tissues. Experiments are underway to study the vertical transmission of CCV.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.003 CRIS0060554  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ALA00340 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 71 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals or cultured for food - Diseases.

APPROACH: Channel and hybrid catfish will be challenged by several routes of infection with channel catfish virus in aquaria. Experimentally and naturally infected adult and juvenile channel catfish will be tested by neutralization and fluorescent antibody techniques for CCV transmission and carrier. By artificially altering the environment, fish will be stressed and tested for susceptibility to disease.

Immunology of "Icb" to fish will be studied in channel catfish and potentials of vaccination evaluated.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Adult channel catfish from a population with a history of CCV infected offspring had antibody-titers from 0.00 to 1.14 against 100 TCID<sub>50</sub> of CCV per 0.1 ml in mid-April. Females were injected with Eetamethazone (immunosuppressant) at 0.25 and 0.125 mg/kg and 3 wks. later spawned. CCV antibody titers did not change. CCV was not isolated from internal organs of the test fish immediately after spawning, but indirect FA application to frozen sections of ovarian tissues revealed what appeared to be foci of CCV antigen. Also primary cell cultures from ovarian tissues showed positive fluorescent foci of CCV antigen. Transmission electron microscopy of gonadal tissue revealed no CCV particles. Fry resulting from spawning could not be maintained long enough for adequate CCV assay. An enzyme immunoassay (EIA) has been developed to detect two species of Edwardsiella in fish. Specific antibodies were developed in rabbits and the indirect test run using peroxidase conjugated goat-anti-rabbit antisera. Several substrate compounds were used with best result obtained from 3,3 diaminobenzidine. Preliminary tests in the laboratory show that the EIA compares favorably with the fluorescent antibody technique. Further testing in the lab and field will be conducted.

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#### 003.004 CRIS0056021 COOPERATIVE FISH PARASITE AND DISEASE STUDY

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36830.

Proj. No.: ALA-27-0002 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 69 To 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the disease producing organisms responsible for epizootics in fish populations in each of the seven cooperating states. Conduct research on identification, life history, epizootiology, pathogenicity and control of organisms associated with fish kills.

APPROACH: Sites of fish kills will be visited by project personnel to collect dead and dying fish. Fish collected by State biologists will be shipped to Auburn. Collected fish will be examined using standard parasitological and microbiological techniques. Isolated pathogens will be utilized to produce diseases in laboratory fish for research.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A total of 303 fish cases was received for disease diagnosis at the Southeastern Cooperative Fish Disease project laboratory during 1980. Of these, 13 (4.3%) were viruses, 86 (28.4%) were bacterial, 58 (19.1%) were parasitic, and 146 (48.2%) were miscellaneous. Aeromonas sp was the most prominent pathogenic organism. Drug sensitivity was conducted on all bacterial isolates. Golden shiners (Notemogonus crysoleucas) infected with golden shiner virus yielded virus from kidney, liver and spleen at 23 degrees C and 28 degrees C. Virus titers were higher at 28 degrees C than 23 degrees C. Largemouth bass, bighead carp, Tilapia sp. and golden shiners could not be experimentally infected with Edwardsiella sp., the causative agent of enteric septicemia of catfish. An enzyme immunoassay was developed for detecting Edwardsiella tarda and E. sp. of catfish compared favorably with the fluorescent antibody test in

laboratory experiments. Phagocytes were separated from whole channel catfish blood by isopycnic centrifugation on FVF coated colloidal silica and were used in a luminol-dependent phagocytic chemiluminescent assay to determine the effect of temperature on the cellular immune response in channel catfish.

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#### 003.005 CRIS0082663 MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES FOR RICE PESTS

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Proj. No.: AR.S104E Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop improved practices and systems for control of rice sheath blight, blast, red rice, grass-broadleaf - aquatic weed complexes and the grape colaspis.

APPROACH: Disease - Rice sheath blight and blast nurseries will be expanded and evaluated for disease resistance. Optimum rates, times and methods of application of fungicides for disease control will be determined in inoculated plots. Estimates will be made of damage thresholds under different inoculum and fertility levels and cultural practices. Spatial distribution of inoculum in rice will be determined by intensive surveys. Weeds - Replicated experiments will be conducted at several locations to compare efficacy of treatments for control of red rice in rice and crops rotated with rice and for control of grass-broadleaf - aquatic weed complexes in rice. Control programs for rice will emphasize herbicides other than those of the phenoxy group. Insects - Extensive surveys will be made across rice/soybean growing areas. Intensive surveys will be made within highly infested field where insecticides will be screened in replicated plots for grape colaspis control.

#### 003.006 CRIS0003201 WEED CONTROL IN RICE PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: ARK00419 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 70 To 28 FEB 75

OBJECTIVES: Develop more effective chemical, cultural, mechanical, biological, and combination methods of controlling weeds in rice, and in crops grown in rotation with rice.

APPROACH: Evaluate and compare new herbicides and mixtures with standard ones. Determine the effects of weeds and herbicides on yield and quality of rice. Study the interactions of various control methods with the physiology, ecology, morphology, and anatomy of rice, and of annual and perennial weeds. Characterize the effects of selected herbicides on succeeding crops, fish, and other aquatic animal life. Determine the fate of herbicides, applied to rice, in the rice crop, soil, and water, and in other crops grown in rotation with rice.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Herbicide programs for rice controlled weed complexes better than standard propanil, molinate or phenoxys. Herbicides that combined effectively with propanil for weed control and safety to rice included thiobencarb, butachlor, oxadiazon, pendimethalin, and acifluorfen. Many of these new treatments substitute applications of propanil or molinate and single applications of 2,4,1,-D silvex or 2,4-D. Tank mixtures of propanil + MCPA or propanil + acifluorfen controlled weeds growing on leaves and were effective substitutes for propanil + 2,4,5-T. Cropping-herbicide systems controlled red rice; important in this system was control of red rice in rotated crops. Effective treatments in soybeans were ppi alachlor, metolachlor, and tank mixtures of these with pendimethalin; ppi profluralin, UBI-S734, SE-28269 and MCN 037; ppe directed paraquat alone, and tank mixed with 2,4-DB; ppe directed BAS 9052; and ppe overdrop mefluidide + bentazon. Effective in grain sorghum were ppi metolachlor, alachlor, propazine, propazine + metolachlor and alachlor. CGA species controlled northern jointvetch in rice and soybeans; CGJ controlled winged waterprimrose in rice; both effectively combined in a weed-pest management system. All season competition of soyflower reduced rice yields 15-20%, but competition for up to 80 days had no effect. Midseason applications of glyphosate controlled most weed species growing in rice field flooding and draining canals.

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#### 003.007 CRIS0044542 CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS BASED ON ALLELOPATHIC CHARACTERISTICS IN SPIKERUSH (ELEOCHARIS SPP.)

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Proj. No.: 5090-20281-003-A(1) Project Type: COOPERATIVE AGREE.  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 07 JUN 78 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Develop procedures for qualitative and quantitative bioassay of allelopathic compounds in spikerush, *Eleocharis coloradoensis*. Extract, isolate, and identify allelopathic compound(s) present in spikerush.

APPROACH: Growing stands of spikerush will be harvested and natural components extracted and partitioned with organic solvents. The extracts will be partitioned further and isolated using various chromatographic techniques. The allelopathic fraction(s) will be segregated from other fractions by appropriate bioassay, followed by chemical characterization and the development of chemical structure.

PROGRESS: 78/06 TO 79/09. Spikerush (*Eleocharis coloradoensis*) was subjected to several methods of extraction and chromatography. Pure compounds isolated were tricin, luteolin, "gamma-sitosterol," ferulic acid, and dihydroactinidiolide (I). Compound I was synthesized by two routes: Reduction of Beta-ionone (II) to trans-Beta-ionol, phytochemical synthesis to cis-Beta-ionol, and Jones oxidation; photolysis ring closure of II to a pyran followed by Jones oxidation. The above compounds were tested for allelopathic activity or inhibition of root elongation of watercress (*Nasturtium officinale*) seedlings and/or germination of radish seeds. Ferulic acid and dihydroactinidiolide were very active, luteolin

slightly, and tricin and "gamma-sitosterol" inactive. Analogs of dihydroactinidiolide are being synthesized and tested for allelopathic activity (K. L. Stevens). A cultured cell bioassay to rapidly screen allelopathic compounds was developed using rose, tomato, and sugarcane cells. Synthetic allelopathic compounds were detectable below 5 ppm. Using this assay on crude and purified extracts of spikerush from K. Stevens, a strongly inhibitory compound(s) in fractions of aqueous-ethanol extracts was detected. Bioassays using whole or excised plant parts of sage pondweed on these extracts have been negative. To increase the specificity of the cultured cell bioassay, we are attempting to obtain a cell culture of sage pondweed.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/06 TO 79/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 003.008 CRIS0045580 A SURVEY FOR PATHOGEN FOR AQUATIC WEEDS IN CALIFORNIA FOR USE IN BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

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Proj. No.: 5090-20282-006-A Project Type: COOPERATIVE AGREE.  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 23 AUG 79 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Conduct a survey to discover pathogens that have potential for development as biological control agents for several important submerged aquatic weeds.

APPROACH: Collect, identify, and culture pathogenic-type organisms found on elodea, milfoil, hydrilla, pondweeds, coontail, and algae in the Davis area and other selected localities. Determine the characteristics of infection, transmission, virulence. Study promising phytopathogens for purposes of augmentation, release, and other manipulations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Aquatic weeds were sampled at a number of sites in Central and Northern California, usually at 2-4-week intervals during the past growing season and at less frequent intervals during the dormant season. The survey emphasized submerged weeds and algae, but nonsubmerged weeds were also sampled where disease symptoms were apparent. Submerged weeds did not appear to be killed or otherwise generally affected by diseases in the field, but occasionally they had small necrotic or discolored local lesions. Many fungi and a few bacteria were observed and/or isolated from such lesions, and after artificial inoculations in a greenhouse, a few fungi reproduced lesions somewhat like those observed in the field, especially in Eurasian watermilfoil. However, the inoculations have not yet shown that local lesions have a negative impact on weed growth and many of the attempted inoculations failed. Efforts are underway to improve the weed culture and inoculation methods. Some stands of emerged weeds had more apparent symptoms of disease, and several fungi known to be plant pathogens were isolated from apparently diseased specimens of cattail, bullrush and parrot's feather.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 003.009 CRIS0078667 SURVEY OF DISEASES OF CULTURED FRESHWATER FISHES OF CALIFORNIA

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ASC-3732-AE Project Type: ANIMAL HEALTH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 19 MAR 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Identify infectious diseases which limit production efficiency of freshwater aquaculture in California; identify those diseases of freshwater fishes which limit the production of aquaculture and

determine the extent of these diseases throughout the state; catalog diseases found and describe conditions associated with the epizootics. Management techniques and procedures will be developed by which the aquaculturist can limit or eliminate losses due to disease.

**APPROACH:** Data will be collected through necropsy of specimens from disease outbreaks at aquaculture facilities. Using the standard procedures of fish pathology, specimens will be examined for parasitic and bacterial infections. Any bacteria isolated will be tested for antibiotic sensitivity. Trout and young channel catfish will also be routinely screened for viral diseases. An effort will be directed toward the development of rapid fluorescent antibody techniques for the diagnosis of bacterial and viral diseases.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Continuing progress has been made in identifying diseases of freshwater aquaculture species. These diseases represent limiting factors for economic production. Symptoms of these diseases are recorded along with information describing conditions associated with the epizootics. Through this information, management techniques and procedures can be developed to help eliminate losses due to diseases. This survey has also made available diagnostic services to the California aquaculturist. Diseases have been diagnosed for sturgeon, bass, channel catfish, rainbow trout, koi, freshwater shrimp, goldfish and tropical aquarium fish. The most common disease problem is bacterial, usually caused by *Pseudomonas* sp., *Aeromonas* sp., and *Vibrio* sp. *Flexibacter columnaris* is often seen causing gill necrosis. The parasitic protozoans *Ichthyophthirius*, *Costia* and *Trichodina* were the most often observed. A report of this survey was presented to the annual California Fish Farmers and California Aquaculture Association meeting.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.010  
**AQUACULTURE PATHOLOGY**

CRIS0080249

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Proj. No.: CA-1\*-ASC-3895-E Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 79 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Investigate the causes of diseases of those marine invertebrate which are being studied under the Aquaculture Program at the Bodega Marine Lab; expand disease diagnostic capabilities of the disease project.

**APPROACH:** Information on the disease and water quality problems faced by the state's aquaculture industry will be solicited. Established techniques of microbiology, pathology, and bioassay will be used to investigate two diseases of particular interest to the Bodega Marine Lab, namely shell disease syndrome and epibiotic fouling. The initial phase of these studies will involve the isolation of the etiological agents and investigation of the pathogenesis of the disease syndromes. Through in-house training and attendance at workshops and scientific meetings, the expertise of the disease project personnel will be enhanced.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Continuing progress has been made in establishing a statewide disease diagnostic center for both freshwater and marine aquaculture species. The laboratory has developed the capability for the diagnosis of parasitic protozoans, fungal and bacterial pathogens. Other techniques such as histological transmission and scanning electron microscopy can also be utilized. During 1980, 38 cases from California aquaculturists were diagnosed and corrective treatments recommended. Research and diagnostic work is continuing on marine invertebrates being cultured in the Aquaculture Program at the Bodega Marine Laboratory. During 1980, 102 cases were submitted for disease diagnosis from other research groups at the Bodega Marine Laboratory. At the present time, a survey and diagnostic procedures for marine bacterial disease are being conducted. The

water quality lab monitors experimental equaculture systems for ammonia, nitrite, nitrate and phosphate and has maintained its standards as a state certified water quality laboratory.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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003.011  
**BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS WITH COMPETITIVE SPECIES OF SPIKERUSH (ELEOCHARIS SPP.)**

CRIS0045521

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Proj. No.: S090-20281-004-A(1) Project Type: COOPERATIVE AGREE.  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 27 JUL 78 To 30 JUN 84

**OBJECTIVES:** Conduct a pilot test project to establish use of spikerush (*Eleocharis* spp.) as a practical approach to control of submersed aquatic weeds in irrigation channels, farm ponds, lakes, and reservoirs.

**APPROACH:** Select sites for planting spikerush in irrigation channels, ponds, and reservoirs. Survey site to collect data on water quality, soil characteristics, weed species, and weed distribution. Plant spikerush at appropriate times of year as determined by the nature of individual sites. Plot size and number to be determined by availability of seed, length or size of body of water, and opportunity for replication to tests. Determine relationships between water quality, soil characteristics, and other parameters to success of establishment, growth, and spread of spikerush. Determine persistence of spikerush, its ability to encroach into previously established stands of weeds, ability to resist reinvasion of sites by undesirable aquatic species. It is intended that this work will be followed by Phases II through V.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Field, germination, ecological studies. Traces of spikerush have been found in P800318, in which southern naiad, waterstargrass, leafy pondweed, curlyleaf pondweed and elodea are also present to varying degrees. The growth of spikerush in P791205 is very extensive both upstream, as well as downstream from the planted plots, indicating either an extremely rapid spread from the seed planted, or a natural invasion of the area. An additional ecological study (E800709) has been initiated in a group of small reservoirs in which both spikerush and American pondweed naturally occur. Allelopathy. The effect of spikerush soil leachate on the growth of torato cells was studied. Chromatographic methods will soon be employed to further concentrate the active fraction(s). Dihydroactinidiolide has not been found in the leachate material. Tissue Culture. Research on the development of callus and cell cultures of spikerush and sago pondweed is continuing. Several types of growth media and various hormone levels were used to speed the growth of the callus, as well as produce free cells for suspension culture.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.012  
**THE USE OF SELECTED AQUATIC ORGANISMS FOR PURPOSES OF AQUACULTURE (FOOD PRODUCTION)**

CRIS0066814

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3350-H Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 05 NOV 74 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the tolerances, growth dynamics, food preference, egg hatchability of selected pest organisms. Utilize existing pest organisms such as tadpole shrimp and cladophora algae



for beneficial purposes such as low cost protein source.

**APPROACH:** Initially information will be obtained relating to the environmental needs of the organisms under consideration. Later we will manage environmental factors in order to maximize the production of the potential protein material for purposes of either a domestic animal food (i.e., chicken or catfish food) or a protein supplement for humans.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Preparation of manuscripts resulting from our work with the Malaysian prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*) continues. These manuscripts focus on physiological aspects of our research and will be submitted to scientific journals in the near future. Research to better understand the laboratory culture of the grass shrimp (*Crangon*) is progressing well. This shrimp is a key food item for striped bass and sturgeon. Those culturing the sturgeon in the laboratory have indicated a need for food that is also under culture and therefore readily available to feed fish. Our research to determine the environmental needs of the shrimp has increased our capabilities to successfully culture this shrimp in the laboratory. Recently we have included the Asiatic clam (*Corbicula*) in our culture operations. This clam exhibits potential as a filter feeder to remove undesirable particulate matter from aquaculture systems. In addition, the clam has demonstrated an ability to accumulate toxic materials such as heavy metals and organic materials. Clams, it is felt, will serve as excellent monitoring organisms in aquaculture systems. We are experimenting with methods of placing the clams in aquatic systems and their retrieval for tissue burden determination.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**DISEASES OF AQUATIC ANIMALS**

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Proj. No.: CA-V\*-MED-3470 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop a reliable diagnostic method of "Whirling Disease" of Salmonids. Determine the role of diseases in California aquaculture.

**APPROACH:** Concentration and partial purification of *Myxosoma cerebralis* spores from ground tissue of suspected trout. Specific density of spores as criterion of identification. Bacteriological, virological, and pathological identification of pathogens of California catfish, abalone, oysters, crab and lobster. Experimental reproduction of diseases.

**PROGRESS:** 78/01 TO 78/12. There is no progress report for the period as the Principal Investigator officially retired to "Emeritus" status during this period.

**PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 78/12**

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**NEMATODE PARASITES OF FRESHWATER FISH: BIOLOGY AND EFFECTS**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-NEM-3121-H Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 16 OCT 74 To 30 SEP 85

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the distribution, species, disease incidence and intensity of nematodes parasitic in freshwater, both game and nongame, cold and warmwater fish of the State. Investigate nematode life history and reservoir hosts. Determine the parasitic role in affecting fish growth and mortality. Investigate means of parasite control and management.

**APPROACH:** Collection and identification and dissection. Effects on growth and mortality will be determined by standard procedures utilized by fishery biologists. Control measures to be investigated are anthelmintics and non-chemical pest management such as manipulation of stream-bank vegetation or fish population rotation by species or resistance.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies continue on the descriptions of two new species of spirurid nematode parasites of rainbow trout from California. Underway is a revision clarifying the genetic validity of *Hulbodonitis*, a nematode commonly occurring in salmonids throughout the world. The revision will contain notes on host specificity. Findings indicate this nematode can also attack fresh water bass species.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**CONTROL OF WEEDS AND CERTAIN OTHER AQUATIC PESTS IN THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST**

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Proj. No.: 5206-20260-001 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 26 FEB 70 To 15 NOV 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Investigate individual and integrated approaches to control aquatic weeds, including herbicides, herbivorous fish and other aquatic fauna, insects, competitive plants, pathogens and other organisms. Investigate physiology, ecology, and biochemistry of aquatic plants in order to understand why and how the weed problems occur, and how effective control programs can be devised.

**APPROACH:** Find and test in laboratory, greenhouse, and field, biological agents that consume, destroy, or inhibit species of problem aquatic weeds. Discover new herbicides and growth regulators, and devise improved methods of using known phytotoxic chemicals for control of aquatic vegetation. Combine chemical and biological control methods to produce effective and acceptable integrated control programs. Study nutrition, growth, reproduction, and response of aquatic weeds to environmental factors, and utilize this information in programs designed to eliminate weed infestations and to prevent their recurrence.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Several canals and Sheldon Reservoir in El Centro, Ca., were sampled to determine Hydrilla biomass and tuber density. Fresh biomass varied from 0 to 7.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup> and tuber density varied from 0 to 423/m<sup>2</sup> in canals. Biomass varied from 0.64 kg/m<sup>2</sup> to 2.03 kg/m<sup>2</sup> and tuber density from 12/m<sup>2</sup> to 65/m<sup>2</sup> in Sheldon Reservoir. When water was held in Sheldon Reservoir, concentrations of greater than 1 ppm copper resulted in good control of Hydrilla. Draw-down application of fluridone (without soil incorporation) at 1 or 2 lb/acre did not control Hydrilla. Application of endothall (Aquathol-K) to a small pond in El Centro resulted in ca. 75% control of Hydrilla. Although continuous contact bioassays of PB 4062 at .25 to 1.0 ppm controlled both algal species, Cladophora appeared to be slightly more resistant than Rhizoclonium. In limited contact tests, Rhizoclonium was controlled one week after exposure to 1.0 ppm concentration of PB4062 for 2 h. while exposure to a 2.0 ppm of PB4062 for 2 h. was necessary for good Cladophora control. A dense

infestation of *M. brasiliensis* in a drainage canal was controlled by a foliar application of fenac at 15 lb/acre in 200 gal/A spray volume. The degree of control in the canal site was not expected and additional studies on foliar application of fenac will follow. A detailed study of the morphology of *Byrrhilla* was made using a scanning electron microscope and normal and polarized light microscopy, and macrophotography.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### USE OF SPIKERUSH (*ELEOCHARIS* SPP.) FOR BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS

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 Proj. No.: 5106-20280-005 Project Type: INBCUSE  
 Agency ID: AFS Period: 05 JUL 79 To 05 JUL 84

OBJECTIVES: Conduct a pilot test project to establish use of spikerush (*Eleocharis* spp.) as a practical approach to control submersed aquatic weeds in irrigation channels, farm ponds, lakes and reservoirs.

APPROACH: Establish an extensive nursery for production of spikerush seed. Culture, harvest, clean and make postharvest treatment of seed prior to use for plantings. Select appropriate sites for planting spikerush in irrigation canals, quality, soil and weed species and their distribution. Plant and use herbicides for preplanting or postplanting control of weeds in spikerush plots. Determine relationships of water quality, soil characteristics, and other parameters to success of establishment, growth, and spread of spikerush. Determine persistence of spikerush under varied conditions, and ability of spikerush to encroach into established stands of weeds, and ability to resist reinvasion of sites by undesirable aquatic species. Determine comparative costs of aquatic weed control with spikerush vs other approaches, such as herbicides and mechanical means.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Dormancy of dwarf spikerush seed was reduced to 6 months by exchanging the storage water every month on seed stored wet at 4 degrees C. In field studies, aquascreen placed over sown dwarf spikerush tubers did not aid in establishing a stand in a canal. It may have helped in a lake study. Aquascreen controlled all vegetation except several shoots of sago pondweed that grew through the apertures; however, these shoots remained stunted and did not obstruct the waterflow. When diuron was applied at 20 and 40 lb/A to dwarf spikerush, and sown tubers and seed, followed by several different leaching rates, it caused some injury to the plants. Normal plants were growing vigorously by the 12th week. After growing submersed with dwarf spikerush plants for two seasons, the growth of American, sago, and horned pondweeds, American and Nuttall's *Elodea*, and *Hydrilla* was reduced, but the growth of Eurasian watermilfoil was not. The presence of dwarf spikerush appeared to have stunted the petioles of the floating leaves of American pondweed.

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CRIS0042356

#### PHYTOTOXINS FROM AQUATIC AND TERRESTRIAL PLANTS, BACTERIA, AND FUNGI

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 Proj. No.: 5102-20280-001 Project Type: INBCUSE  
 Agency ID: ARS Period: 11 APR 75 To 11 APR 82

OBJECTIVES: Isolate, identify, and synthesize natural phytotoxins from plants, bacteria, and fungi, and evaluate their potential as aquatic and terrestrial herbicides.

APPROACH: A study will be conducted of plants which have been reported to produce and release phytotoxins detrimental (allelopathic) to adjacent plants. These include: Spikerush (an aquatic sedge), couch grass, leafy spurge, giant foxtail, sunflower and, even, some economic plants such as oats, rye, and barley. Plants will be collected, extracted with a variety of solvents and individual, toxic components separated and identified. Bioassay methods will be used (in cooperation with the Aquatic Weed Research Laboratory, SEA, Davis, California) to identify potential herbicides. Promising phytotoxins, as well as analogs of these natural materials, will be synthesized and their effects on the growth of higher plants evaluated.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Russian knapweed (*Centaurea repens*) has been extracted and several sesquiterpene lactones identified, viz., cynaropicrin, aguarin, jaserin and acroptilin. Two new compounds, repdiolide and epoxyrepdiolide, were also characterized. Similar sesquiterpene lactones have been isolated from yellow star thistle. These compounds are probably cytotoxic; however, they are non-mutagenic. Preliminary investigation of dormant and non-dormant spikerush seed has been initiated to determine the reasons for dormancy. The allelopathic leafy spurge (*Euphorbia esula*) has been extracted. No alkaloids have been detected.

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#### DIETARY FACTORS IN WHITE FISH MEAL RESPONSIBLE FOR CATARACT FORMATION IN TROUT

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 Proj. No.: CGL00032 Project Type: STATE  
 Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Investigate some of the nutritional factors in white fish meal responsible for growth retardation and high incidence of cataract in trout. Modify the white fish meal by addition of necessary factors or deletion of injurious substances so that it could be effectively used as a supplement to trout feed.

APPROACH: Feeding experiments: Long-range feeding of trout on a complete white fish feed will be performed in order to determine the incidence and time factor involved in the formation of cataract. The effect of lipid-free and heavy-metal-free diets will also be studied. Organic solvents will be used to extract lipid components, and specific chelating agents will be employed to remove heavy elements. The compositional analysis of white fish meal will be aimed at determining the amino acid content of proteins, free and bound carbohydrates and heavy trace elements. Automated amino acid analysis, gas chromatography and atomic absorption procedures will



be used, respectively to accomplish these. Compositional analysis of lens proteins from normal and cataractous fish will be done after solubilization and separation of lens proteins by conventional procedures, followed by acid hydrolysis or proteins to liberate amino acids. The levels of cysteine, cystine and tryptophan will be particularly of interest.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Inclusion of white fish meal at a 20% level into the trout diet was found to cause cataract (67% at 140 days) and higher incidence of mortality (48%) as compared to herring-meal diet. No significant difference in the amino acid composition was found between herring and white fish meals. Fortification of the white-fish diet with tryptophan, histidine, tyrosine, phenylalanine, cystine, lysine or combination of all showed no significant decrease in the incidence of cataract. Fortification of diet with vitamins, A, D, E, E(12) or niacin did not alleviate the problem. Mineral analysis of the white fish and herring meals revealed significantly lower content of Fe, Zn, Se and Mn and a higher content of Ca and P for the white-fish, as compared to herring meal. Incorporation of commercially available mineral mix (protein-mineral chelates) into the white fish diet at 5-10% levels abolished the incidence of cataract and reduced the mortality by 90%. The ratio of calcium to available phosphate was found to be approximately 1.5 times higher for white-fish diet as compared to herring. Inclusion of additional phosphate into the white-fish diet to produce a Ca/P ratio close that of herring diet, reduced the incidence of cataract to 1%. The Na-K ATPase activity of cataractous lens was decreased by about 50%, as compared to normal lens. Fortification of white-fish diet with the mineral mix caused an increase of Na-KATPase activity to 84% of the normal diet.

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UPTAKE AND MOVEMENT OF HERBICIDES AND NUTRIENTS IN  
AQUATIC WEED SPECIES

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Proj. No.: 5604-20280-003 Project Type: INHCUSE  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 01 DEC 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the specific modes of uptake of existing and potential aquatic herbicides and examine the environmental conditions which may affect uptake rates. Elucidate the translocation characteristics of aquatic herbicides to assess their potential in controlling reproductive organs of aquatic weeds.

APPROACH: Use in vitro systems of epithelial leaf tissue of *Potamogeton nodosus* to measure herbicide uptake rates and conditions affecting uptake (temperature, light, water quality). Develop bioassay systems for measuring the effects of flow rate on nutrient uptake in the filamentous algal weed *Cladophora*, and determine how flow rate affects algicide effectiveness. Both approaches will involve use of radioactively labelled herbicide and/or nutrients. Use root/shoot partitioning apparatus to determine nutrient or herbicide uptake route.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 80/09. A multi-chambered, temperature-controlled recirculating incubation system was developed to study the effect of flow rate on nutrient uptake in the filamentous alga *Cladophora* sp. Results indicate that relative rates of photosynthesis (measured by  $^{14}\text{C}$ -bicarbonate uptake) increase with increasing flow rates.  $\text{CuSO}_4$ , diquat or Komeen were more effective in reducing  $^{14}\text{C}$ -bicarbonate fixation under flowing conditions than static conditions. Studies on *Fluridone* show the following: (a) light is required for efficacy, (b) optimal exposure is 6-8 days post-sprouting in American and sago pondweed, (c) little or not translocation occurs in American pondweed, (d) some translocation (root to shoot) occurs in *Hydrilla verticillata*, (e) slow movement occurs through isolated stem epidermis or whole leaf sections, (f)

no difference in uptake (for 1, 2 or 14 days) is seen in light or dark exposures. Studies with isolated stem epidermis of American pondweed show that  $\text{CuSO}_4$  enhances movement of diquat, 2, 4-D, dichlofenil, fenac and silvex. Movement of atrazine and simazine is more rapid through sections of submersed leaves than through floating leaves of American pondweed. Root/shoot isolations show that glyphosate is translocated both acropetally and basipetally in *Hydrilla*, but the latter is more extensive. A new and improved method of isolating roots and shoots in intact plants was developed using silicon dental impression compound.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 80/09

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$^{14}\text{C}$ -fluridone penetration of whole leaf sections of *Hydrilla verticillata*. West. Soc. Weed Sci. Progr. Rep. p. 333.

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HORMONAL REGULATION OF GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT AND  
VEGETATIVE PROPAGATION OF SUBMERSED AQUATIC WEEDS

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Proj. No.: 5604-20280-004 Project Type: INHCUSE  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 01 DEC 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the role of natural plant growth regulators in controlling development and germination of vegetative propagules of American Pondweed (*Potamogeton nodosus*). Determine the effects of temperature and light on development in relation to growth regulator function.

APPROACH: Characterize the effect(s) of potentially active plant growth regulators (auxins, gibberellins, abscisic acid, cytokinins) on germination of winterbuds (tubers) of American pondweed. Attempt to isolate, identify and characterize natural growth and developmental regulatory compounds from American pondweed using standard solvent partitioning, liquid chromatography, TLC, GC and bioassay techniques. Use radioactively labelled plant growth regulators as standards and to obtain information on the movement and fate of the compound(s) within the plant, or plant organs. Plants grown in greenhouse, environmentally controlled growth chambers and field-collected plants will be utilized in the studies.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 80/09. Abscissic acid (ABA) inhibits germination of vegetative winterbuds of American pondweed (*Potamogeton nodosus*) and sago pondweed (*P. pectinatus*) at concentrations above  $10^{-5}\text{M}$ . A bioassay for ABA effects was developed. ABA at  $5 \times 10^{-7}\text{M}$  to  $5 \times 10^{-6}\text{M}$  induced formation of floating-type leaves within 5-7 days. These responses were counteracted by GA(3), EA, zeatin or kinetin. Preliminary results from high pressure liquid chromatography indicate higher levels of ABA in the root and rhizome portion of *P. nodosus* than in leaf plus shoot. Results of high pressure liquid chromatography plus G.C. analysis indicate that water-stressed, sprouting *P. nodosus* winterbuds contain higher levels of ABA than unstressed plants. *P. nodosus* showed seasonal fluctuations in level of ABA, particularly in rhizomes. Water-stressed *P. nodosus* and *P. pectinatus* plants were susceptible to foliar application of dalapon, glyphosate, simazine, or dicamba. Cordycepin, which inhibits RNA synthesis, blocked ABA-induced formation of floating-type leaves while allowing growth of normal submersed leaves. Actinomycin-D, which blocks DNA-dependent RNA synthesis, had little effect on induction of floating leaves by ABA. Cycloheximide, which inhibits protein synthesis, blocked the ABA-effect, and caused a general reduction in leaf development. ABA may operate by modulating synthesis of specific RNA's.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 80/09**

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**EVALUATION OF EFFICACY, CROP RESPONSES AND CROP AND WATER RETENTION OF POTENTIAL AQUATIC HERBICIDES**

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Proj. No.: 5604-20280-005

Project Type: INBCUSE

Agency ID: A1S

Period: 02 DEC 77 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Identify effective, new aquatic herbicides and algicides. Determine the phototoxicity of irrigation water containing aquatic herbicides on crops and the extent of herbicide residue retention in the exposed crops. Determine the level of herbicide residue in water resulting from the application of herbicide to irrigation canals, or impoundments.

**APPROACH:** Use a greenhouse, static water screening bioassay for observing the phytotoxic effects of new chemical compounds on American pondweed sago pondweed and Elodea. Use a unialgal culture bioassay to evaluate new chemicals for algicidal properties. Make applications of candidate aquatic herbicides (which show sufficient efficacy and environmental safety) to irrigation canals or canal tanks and subsequently sample exposed water and analyze for herbicide residues. Develop bioassay for evaluating controlled-release aquatic herbicides. Grow representative crops in small, replicated plots and irrigate with water containing appropriate levels of aquatic herbicide and subsequently determine the herbicide residue levels in the harvested crops.

**PROGRESS:** 77/02 TO 80/09. Rates of 2.25 to 7.43 kg/ha simazine applied to ditchbanks of flowing canals produced a maximum of 60 ug/l. First water flow samples from dry-canal treatments at similar rates produced a maximum of 250 ug/l with rapid subsequent dissipation. In six crops (corn, pinto beans, alfalfa, sugarbeets, tomatoes, cucumbers) irrigated with water containing 0.01 or 0.1 mg/l simazine, only trace amounts (0.5 to 2.9 ppb) were found. Similar studies showed little or no arsenic accumulation in crops exposed to 1.0-2.0 ppm MSMA. Small pond tests showed that granular fluridone controls elodea, pondweeds, and stunts cattails within three months when applied at 2-3 lbs/acre. The levels of dicamba were determined in 6 crops that had been irrigated with .05 or 0.5 ppm dicamba by furrow or sprinkler. Residues were less than .01 ppm with the .05 ppm. Velpar was tested 1.0 ppm in a small (0.08 ha) pond. Fluridone is effective in stopping growth of American sago pondweed when vegetative tubers were exposed to 1 ppm in the light.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/02 TO 80/09**

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**MECHANICAL CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS**

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Proj. No.: FLA-AG-01926

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSES

Period: 05 FEB 79 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop design criteria and operational procedures for mechanical control of aquatic weeds, primarily waterhyacinth and hydrilla by: Determination of physical and mechanical properties

of the plants, development of harvester components, development of a harvester-reducer-handling system, and development of a harvester-transport.

**APPROACH:** Plant tissues will be tested in standard testing equipment. Bulk samples will be tested in a large laboratory press. In situ properties will be tested with a specialized floating fixture. Cutters, elevating mechanisms, choppers balers, and transfer systems will be designed, built, tested and modified for the special requirements of aquatic plants. A 2.4 m wide system will be designed, incorporating the best compacting harvester transport components found in the preceding section. Target rate is 100 Mg/hr. A non-elevating compacting harvester transport will be designed, built and tested as a low-cost, low-energy alternative.

**PROGRESS:** 80/09 TO 80/12. A Bockney aquatic weed cutter was modified and tested in citrus grove irrigation ditches, and found to be unsatisfactory for that use. A 0.6 m wide drag conveyor harvester was designed, built, and tested, and found to operate satisfactorily in hydrilla near standing area 1 density, but ineffective in densities appreciably lower or higher; it is effective in small water hyacinth. A new hydrilla cutter for ditches is being designed and a new hydrilla conveyor-harvester has been designed and is being built. Three new harvester-reducers have been designed and are being built. One is a drag conveyor harvester with crimping rolls, another is a lateral-feeding belt conveyor with a shear-bar chopper, and the third is a lateral-feeding screw press-conveyor.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/09 TO 80/12**

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**BIOLOGICAL AGENTS FOR CONTROL OF HYDRILLA, A SUBMERSED AQUATIC WEED**

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Proj. No.: 7010-20280-007-A

Project Type:

COOPERATIVE AGREE.

Agency ID: ARS

Period: 30 SEP 80 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Discover, identify and assess effectiveness and host specificity of potential natural agents for control of Hydrilla, a submerged aquatic weed.

**APPROACH:** Conduct field surveys in India and other Southeast Asian countries where Hydrilla is a native aquatic plant, find biological agents, primarily insects, associated with the plant. Make field and laboratory assessments of their effectiveness and host specificity as potential control agents. Identify each agent taxonomically and determine requirements for its culture. Provide information on and specimens of candidate organisms.

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CRIS0069606

**THE PHYSIOLOGY AND CONTROL OF VEGETATIVE REPRODUCTION IN HYDRILLA (HYDRILLA VERTICILLATA KOYLE)**

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Proj. No.: FLA-AY-01784

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 APR 74 To 30 DEC 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine importance of tuber and turion regrowth after chemical control. Determine photoperiod response and flowering to tuber and turion formation. Study propagule germination and evaluate growth regulators to promote germination. Study carbohydrate storage and synthesis with respect to propagule formation and photosynthesis. Study ecology and physiology of hydrilla.



**APPROACH:** Laboratory, pool, and field studies will screen growth regulators and monitor natural growth, germination of hydrilla propagules. Promising regulators will be injected in hydrosol, in water, or otherwise applied to field plots. Water level manipulation by draining lakes and ponds permits basic studies on hydrilla reproduction and reinfestation.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 to 80/12. Hydrilla reproduces primarily underground tubers, and following chemical control practices re-infestation occurs by their germination and growth. Tubers form at the end of rhizomes during short day conditions (light period less than 12.5 hours) and are hormonally controlled by ABA. Lake drawdown and timed chemical treatments (Fall) prevent formation of new tubers during the following winter months. Annual control practices significantly reduce the presence of tubers, allows growth of native flora, and helps maintain the treated area open to use. The herbicides Fenac, Orchlorobenzil, and Fluridone all reduce tuber germination at concentrations of 10 ppm. Fenac applied to drawdown areas (24 kg/ha) during the winter almost totally eliminated hydrilla growth the following summer. Physiological studies indicate hydrilla and certain other submerged aquatic plants have unique photosynthetic properties. During winter, under short day conditions and cool temperatures, photosynthetic properties are characteristic of C(3) plants, and during summer under heavy growth and CO(2) limiting conditions the plants revert to a C(4) type mechanism. Substrate studies clearly indicate that hydrilla grows most favorably in submerged soils high in organic matter. Nutrient culture studies indicate that hydrilla grow well at comparatively low levels of Phosphorus, but requires high levels of Calcium, Potassium and Magnesium. The total production of hydrilla under ideal conditions is estimated at 5 M.T. Org. weight/hectare.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 to 80/12  
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003.025 CRIS0079913  
**THE ECOLOGICAL IMPACT OF INTEGRATED CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL AQUATIC WEED CONTROL**

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Proj. No.: FIA-AY-01987 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 79 To 31 DEC 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the impact of chemical/biological control on the fishery environment, and ascertain the most desirable balance of vegetation versus open water that will maintain desirable water quality, fish growth and reproduction; evaluate the feasibility of combining chemical and biological weed control in a natural lake and determine costs benefit ratios.

**APPROACH:** Two lakes and 24 ponds will be utilized to test the above objectives, water quality, fish population, benthos, zooplankton, and phytoplankton will be analyzed in each habitat.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 to 80/12. Collection of background information was conducted on aquatic macrophytes, phytoplankton, benthos, algae and fish populations from Orange Lake (4,921 ha), Lake Pearl (23.5 ha), and in 24 0.2 ha ponds before initiation of treatment. The 24 ponds were separated into chemical, grass carp, fertilization, and control. Grass carp were stocked at a rate of 4, 8 and 16/pond and chemical treatments were applied to evaluate effectiveness for 30, 60 and 100% vegetation control. Treatment ponds supported plankton populations consisting primarily of the green algae genera *Cosmarium*, *Scenedesmus* and *Tetradion*. The cladoceran genera *Macrothrix* and *Alona* and the rotifer *Keratella* numerically dominated all samples. Lake Pearl was chemically treated three times during the spring and summer to reduce biomass and stocked with grass carp to study integrated control. Radio transmitters were implanted in ten grass carp and nine largemouth bass. Although individual bass moved as an immediate response to herbicide application, percent occurrence

of sightings remained evenly distributed in respect to herbicide treatment. Eighty-one percent of the grass carp were found in the treatment area prior to treatment, decreasing to 56% post-treatment. Dominant genera were the flagellated *Ceratium* and *Chlamydomonas* and the nonflagellated chlorophytes *Ankistrodesmus*, *Staurostrum* and *Cosmarium*. Infestation of hydrilla in Orange Lake has increased from 66 ha in 1978 to 1,240 ha in 1980.

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**ECONOMICS AND CONTROL OF CHIRONOMID MIDGES (BLIND MOSQUITOES)**

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Proj. No.: FIA-EY-02016 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 AUG 80 To 31 DEC 85

**OBJECTIVES:** Work out method for distinguishing young larvae of closely related pest species. Determine and describe pathogens of native midges and find ways to augment their impact on the pest species.

**APPROACH:** The hemoglobin from different species of midges will be crystallized and compared as a possible means of distinguishing young midge larvae. Field populations of midges will be screened for pathogens by macro and microscopic methods. The pathogens will then be studied and propagated in the laboratory to assess control potential.

003.027 CRIS0082837  
**TAXONOMY AND MORPHOLOGY OF NEMATODES**

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Proj. No.: FIA-EY-02024 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 21 SEP 80 To 30 DEC 85

**OBJECTIVES:** Collect and identify any plant, soil and aquatic nematodes that are of significance to the agricultural economy of Florida. Study and describe the anatomy and morphology of such nematodes in order to facilitate identification by concerned research workers and regulatory personnel. Determine the existence of biotypes and economically important nematode species which may influence current Integrated Pest Management and Low Energy Technology practices being employed. Prepare taxonomic treatises, systematic keys, compendia and morphological descriptions for publication in national and international scientific journals.

**APPROACH:** Acquire, preserve, mount on slides and study morphologically. New taxa will be described and published. Accumulated data may lead to taxonomic revisions and compendia preparation.

003.028\* CRIS0068632  
**BASLINE STUDIES FOR EVALUATING THE RESPONSE OF AN ECOSYSTEM TO THE INTRODUCTION OF WHITE AMUR**

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Proj. No.: FIA-FY-01765 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the forcing functions, main energy flows, and variations in the important components in an aquatic ecosystem; construct and simulate a model which will incorporate these variables and which will include the possible effects of the introduction of white amur to the ecosystem; monitor the changes that actually do take place in an ecosystem when the fish is introduced, revising the model until it is a reasonable generalization of the

ecosystem.

APPROACH: Baseline ecological data will be collected by state agencies on a lake into which the white amur will be introduced in the second year of the study. Models incorporating these data will predict the effects of the fish, and these models will be verified by continued data collection.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A model of Lake Conway, FL, was simulated with and without white amur present. If rates used in the model are accurate, the grazing food chain in this lake is slightly more important than the detritus food chain, and 10% of the gross primary productivity is grazed. One-quarter of the annual phosphorus input to the epilimnion comes from leaching and decay of submersed macrophytes. Simulated ranges of state variables were close to values measured in most cases. The model was stable during a simulation representing ten years. After two years, simulated addition of white amur (7000 fish, each weighting 458g) decreased submersed macrophyte biomass to 6% of its normal peak biomass. Water quality improved, gross primary productivity and community respiration decreased, and the relative importance of the grazing food chain increased. Biomass of benthic invertebrates and secondary predator fish increased. Addition of half as many fish five years after the first introduction brought about the same degree of macrophyte control, but recovery was more rapid.

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EVALUATION OF FUSARIUM ROSEUM 'CULMORUM' AS A  
BIOLOGICAL CONTROL FOR HYDRILLA VERTICILLATA

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Proj. No.: FLA-PT-02033 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 80 To 31 DEC 82

OBJECTIVES: The prospects for biological control of the submerged aquatic weed, hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata, Hydrocharitaceae), with an isolate of a recently discovered, exotic fungal pathogen, Fusarium roseum 'Culmorum', will be evaluated. The pathogen, isolated from a diseased aquatic plant from the Netherlands, will be tested under laboratory and field conditions to determine its host range, safety and efficacy as a biological control for hydrilla.

APPROACH: Following quarantine clearance for field use, the ability of the fungus to kill hydrilla under natural conditions will be tested in small and large bodies of water. Several formulations of the fungal inoculum and techniques of application will be developed. Media and methods for mass production of the biocontrol agent will be screened. The effect of the fungicides effective in controlling this Culmorum will be identified.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An isolate of Fusarium roseum 'Culmorum' which is capable of killing the submersed, noxious aquatic weed hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata) has been found. Macroconidial suspensions of the fungus when added to water containing hydrilla induced chlorosis of shoots and rotting of the entire plant. On the basis of the results of host range testing on nontarget plant hosts and the lack of toxicity to a fish species, the fungus is considered to be a safe and promising biological control for hydrilla. Moreover, a fungicide capable of controlling this fungus has been identified. A large-scale pilot test has been initiated to evaluate the efficacy of this histopathology and physiology of diseased hydrilla are underway.

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND WEED MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES  
UTILIZING GRASS CARP (CTENOPHARYNGODON IDELLA)

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01986 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 24 JUL 79 To 31 OCT 81

OBJECTIVES: Impact assessment of grass carp on the Lake Wales ecosystem. Determine management strategies for vegetation control utilizing grass carp. Develop methods for selective removal of grass carp from Lake Wales.

APPROACH: Standard field and laboratory methods will be utilized. See attached proposal.

003.031 CRIS0074878  
IMMUNOLOGIC FACTORS IN CANDIDIASIS IN DOLPHINS

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Agency ID: CSVM-CO-0000 Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Establish reference laboratory with Dolphin specific reagents for investigation of immunologic aspects of disease problems. Characterization of the immune system in normal dolphins. Investigation of humoral and cellular immunity in Candida infected Dolphins treated with Levamisole.

APPROACH: Purification and quantitation of dolphin immunoglobulins. Raising dolphin specific anti Ig antibodies in rabbits. Identification of serum anti candida factor by agglutination reaction. Lymphocyte transformation responses to mitogen and Candida antigen.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 79/12. Fundamental studies of the dolphin immune system were performed to implement evaluation of immune competence in relationship to chronic infection with the opportunistic fungi, Candida albicans. Normal values for washed peripheral blood lymphocyte responses to mitogen stimulation (lymphocyte transformation) were obtained for healthy dolphins, both from the wild and in captivity. Three dolphins suffering from chronic Candida albicans infection showed normal lymphocyte transformation responses compared to healthy controls when fetal calf serum was used to enrich the lymphocyte culture media. When sera from Candida infected dolphins were used in the culture media, lymphocyte transformation responses for both normal and infected dolphins were severely depressed compared to normal responses obtained when serum from healthy dolphins was used. Serum from one dolphin rendered free of Candida infection with systemic antifungal therapy was later utilized to enrich culture media for lymphocyte transformation studies on the healthy controls. Suppression of lymphocyte responses was no longer present. These findings suggest that a serum suppressive factor for lymphocytes was present in the three dolphins with chronic Candida albicans infection, but that intrinsic lymphocyte function was intact when free from autologous serum. Immune deficiency might, therefore, be acquired with chronic Candida infection in association with suppressive serum factor(s).

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CONTROL OF AQUATIC PLANT GROWTH

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Proj. No.: FLA-PL-01599 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 10 FEB 72 To 31 DEC 76



**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the physiological and nutritional requirements for growth of aquatic plants. Evaluate biological and chemical methods for the control of excessive growth of aquatic plants.

**APPROACH:** The major portion of this research will be conducted under controlled conditions. Field studies will be limited to small enclosed areas.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. A survey of the insects associated with *Hydrilla verticillata* and *Myriophyllum spicatum* infestations in the U.S.A. has just been completed. The insects most numerous on these submersed weeds were the midge larvae (Diptera: Chironomidae), damselfly nymphs (Zygoptera) and the caddisfly larvae (Trichoptera). Several moths (Lepidoptera) species, especially *Acentria nivea*, *Parapoynx diminutalis* and *Synclita oblitteralis*, caused extensive damage to these plants at some locations. Studies in outdoor, circular pools have shown that one shoot tip of *hydrilla* produced as much dry weight during a 16-week period as 16 tips planted under the same conditions. Dry weight of plants 16 weeks after planting was a high as 1,561 times that of the shoot tips planted. *Hydrilla* reproduced vegetatively under controlled conditions and under field conditions by development of axillary buds from sub-apical fragments. Fragments with a single node were capable of regrowth under both controlled and field conditions. Forty percent of fragments with one or two nodes were capable of regrowth. Regrowth occurred from 68% or more fragments with three to five nodes. A research demonstration encompassing 283 ha in a 2,428-ha citrus grove was initiated to manage *hydrilla* and other aquatic weeds in an integrated control program using biological, herbicidal, and mechanical methods.

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**BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF WEEDS WITH EMPHASIS ON AQUATIC HABITATS**

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Proj. No.: 7615-20280-005 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 29 MAY 79 To 29 MAY 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine basic information necessary for implementing biological control agents in weed management programs with particular emphasis on aquatic systems.

**APPROACH:** Compile lists of organisms of potential use for biological control from foreign and domestic sources. Arrange for host specificity testing of these organisms, importation into quarantine, clearance and final release when appropriate. Assess those organisms released as to efficacy and viability. Develop data basic to the understanding of the organism-host plant interactions so as to determine the best means of integrating these into weed management schemes. Conduct experimentation to determine the compatibility of biological control with existing chemical and mechanical control technology. Determine factors which limit success of biological control.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. *Sameodes albiguttalis*, a South American pyralid released for the biological control of waterhyacinth, has dispersed throughout Florida. Of 330 sites examined it was found at 170 (52%). Population survival has been documented following a severe frost at one site where the temperature dropped to -13 degrees C. Studies of waterhyacinth leaf production show that rates vary with season, habitat, and shoot size but are highly predictable. Biocontrol agents affect survivorship of leaves in different ways. *S. albiguttalis* appears to increase the mortality of young leaves. Studies are continuing to develop fiduciary tables for waterhyacinth leaf populations at several sites. Surveys of the insects associated with *Hydrilla verticillata* and *Myriophyllum spicatum* in the U.S.A. have been completed. The most numerous insects included midge larvae, damselfly nymphs, and caddisfly larvae. Several moth species, especially *Acentria nivea*, *Parapoynx diminutalis*, and *Synclita oblitteralis*, cause severe damage at some locations. Some caddisfly larvae (*Fabria* sp.) may also feed upon *M. spicatum*.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

- CENTER, T.D. and SPENCE, N.E. 1981. Phenology and Growth of Waterhyacinth in a Eutrophic North-Central Florida Lake. Aquat. Bot. 19(1):1-32.
- BALCIUNAS, J.K. 1980. New Dragonfly (Zygoptera) Records for Tuscarawas County, Including a Species New to Ohio. Ohio J. Sci. 80(2):58.

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**BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS IN THE SOUTHEAST**

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Proj. No.: 7615-20280-003 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 27 JUN 75 To 30 MAY 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine best means of implementing biological control using insects, mites, and other organisms against aquatic weeds.

**APPROACH:** Release and monitor populations of imported host-specific insects or mites to combat specific aquatic weeds. Combinations of insects with mites, other insects, fish, herbicides, and fungus, will be evaluated as to the potential to manipulate them to enhance the degree of control. The potential for using native insects will be determined by evaluating their effect on the weed. Environmental components, such as nutrients, natural enemies, age of host plants, and site conditions, which may affect the biological control agents will be evaluated, and the potential to manipulate them to enhance the degree of control will be studied.

**PROGRESS:** 75/06 TO 79/05. Two weevils, *Neochetina eichborniae* and *N. bruchi*, and a pyralid moth, *Sameodes albiguttalis*, have been introduced in the SE U.S. for the biocontrol of waterhyacinth. *N. eichborniae* has effectively dispersed throughout Florida but *N. bruchi* has not. The effects of the weevils have been subtle, resulting in minor changes in plant characteristics (such as a reduction in maximum size). This is apparently due to preferential oviposition in older leaves with little resultant damage to the more functional younger leaves. While substantial control has not been achieved, the presence of the weevils retards plant growth and thereby facilitates control by other means. Various combinations of control measures using insects, mites, herbivorous fish, pathogens and chemicals are more effective than any one method used alone. *Sameodes albiguttalis* is now established at several sites in South Florida. Because the larvae preferentially feed on young plant tissues the potential of this insect for effective control of waterhyacinth is high. Its introduction is too recent, however, to adequately assess its effect. A second pyralid moth, *Parapoynx diminutalis*, was first found in the U.S. feeding on *Hydrilla verticillata* in 1975, apparently as the result of an accidental introduction. It was first recorded in Fort Lauderdale and its range has continued to expand. Host specificity studies were conducted and it was

found to feed upon a wide variety of aquatic plants as well as rice.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/06 TC 79/05

CHARUDATTAN, K., B. D. PERKINS AND R. C. LITTELL. 1978. Effects of fungi and bacteria on the decline of arthropod-damaged waterhyacinth in Florida. Weed Sci. 26(2):101-107.

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PHYSIOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT OF AQUATIC WEEDS  
INTERFERING WITH THE USE OF WATER RESOURCES

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Proj. No.: 7615-20280-004 Project Type: INHCUSE  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 26 JAN 78 To 26 JAN 82

OBJECTIVES: Investigate manipulation of selected growth factors of problem weed species which produce unfavorable habitats. Develop integrated techniques for management of aquatic weeds. Improve technology for chemical control of aquatic weeds.

APPROACH: Establish requirements of selected aquatic weeds for nutrients, light, temperatures, water quality, soil type, and pH. Determine dependence of problem species on water and soil substrate for supply of these factors. Identify weak links in the life cycles of problem weeds that may make them amenable to management. Evaluate ecological modifications which lend themselves to integration with chemical, biological, or mechanical weed control. Evaluate new chemicals, new uses of registered chemicals, and combinations of chemicals to increase effectiveness of chemical control. Develop improved chemical application techniques. Develop faster methods for reliable herbicide bioassay.

PROGRESS: 79/12 TC 80/12. The principle activity in the area of herbicide evaluation research was in design, assembly, and evaluation of a prototype flowing water system for evaluating Controlled Release Herbicide Formulation (CRHF). In this cooperative program with the Army Corps of Engineers, a CRHF of 2,4-D was evaluated in static and flowing water bioassays. Analytical procedures for monitoring 2,4-D residues in water by BPLC and GC were developed and/or modified and refined. Rate of 2,4-D release from CRHF was greater than anticipated by a factor of 3. Phytotoxic 2,4-D concentration was maintained in flowing water for 8 weeks. Plant growth was significantly lower in containers which received CRHF treatments. In an investigation of the influence of hydrosol composition on the growth of hydrilla, hydrilla biomass production after 70 weeks growth was greatest in a manure supplemented soil and least in plain sand. Biomass was as follows: 274, 150, 50, and 4 grams per sq. meter in supplemented soil, soil alone, calcareous marl, or sand, respectively. Biomass was highly correlated with tissue levels of phosphorous and nitrogen and more weakly correlated with potassium tissue levels. There was a strong negative correlation between biomass and calcium concentration in tissue.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/12 TC 80/12

STEWART, E. K. 1980. Retardation of Hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata) Regrowth Through Chemical Control of Vegetative Reproduction. Weed Sci. 28(3):245-251.

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IDENTIFICATION OF INSECTS FOR BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS

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Proj. No.: 7602-20260-002

Project Type: INHCUSE

Agency ID: ARS

Period: 09 JAN 76 To 09 JAN 79

OBJECTIVES: Identify candidate insects to control aquatic weeds and evaluate their suppressive capabilities, with special emphasis on waterhyacinth, hydrilla, and Eurasian watermilfoil.

APPROACH: Import insects into quarantine facility after obtaining proper clearances for quarantine studies and/or release in the United States. Verify taxonomic identification, eliminate extraneous biological material, and establish colony for host specificity studies and supply insects for laboratory and field research. Prepare proper documentation for necessary clearances before field release of imported insects. Conduct field evaluations of insect effectiveness for control of aquatic weeds.

PROGRESS: 76/01 TO 79/01. A pyralid moth, Sameodes albiguttalis, was obtained from Argentina after testing showed that it had potential as a biological control agent for waterhyacinth. Additional testing was conducted in quarantine; a report was prepared requesting permission for introduction; large numbers were reared; and it was finally released in September 1977 at three locations in Florida. Establishment occurred at one location. The colony has been transferred to another laboratory which will continue making releases. A five year field study of the weevil, Neochetina eichhorniae, which was introduced from Argentina for control of waterhyacinth was terminated. Due to the intervention of man and to two severe winters, the effect of the dramatic beetle increase on the plant population is unclear, although it appears that the beetles might help keep the plant population at a steady state by reducing vegetative reproduction. Two insects feeding on Eurasian watermilfoil in the U.S. were colonized in quarantine and detailed biological studies were made with one of them, a weevil, Litodactylus leucogaster. Host specificity tests indicated that L. leucogaster may have potential for reducing seed production but that the moth, Acentropus niveus, is apparently not specific to milfoil. Contrast research conducted for use indicated that the European moth, Parapoynx stratiotata, is not sufficiently specific for introduction into the U.S. for control of Eurasian watermilfoil.

PUBLICATIONS: 76/01 TO 79/01

GRAEU, W. E. AND N. E. SPENCE. 1978. A management procedure for the introduction of biological agents for control of weeds. pp.13-34. in Freeman, I. E. Proc. IV INT. SYMP. BIOL. CONTR. WEEDS. AUG 30-SEP 2, 1976.

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IMPORTATION AND EVALUATION OF INSECTS FOR BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF WEEDS AND INSECT PESTS

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Proj. No.: 7602-20260-004 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 14 FEB 79 To 14 FEB 82

OBJECTIVES: Obtain and evaluate insects for their potential as bio-control agents of important insect pests and weeds, with special emphasis on the aquatic weeds: Eurasian watermilfoil, hydrilla, and waterhyacinth.

APPROACH: Collect or arrange collections of live natural enemies and weed control candidates and prepare documentation necessary for the introduction of exotic species into quarantine and later for their release from quarantine. Establish colonies and study the biologies in the laboratory. Test the weed control candidates against a wide range of plants to determine and host specificity. Conduct or aid the field releases of those candidates for which clearance is obtained.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Fall armyworm, Spodoptera frugiperda, larvae collected in Bolivia by a cooperater were reared in quarantine to recover a parasitic ichneumonid wasp, Eiphosca vitticole. Nineteen adult parasites were transferred immediately



to a researcher for interbreeding with his previously established laboratory colony. Additional adults were used to establish a quarantine colony and to test whether the parasite larvae would be encapsulated by Bolivian fall armyworm larvae as they had been by Florida fall armyworm larvae during an earlier quarantine colonization in 1979. Many were encapsulated by the Bolivian larvae. The quarantine colony was later transferred to the researcher. Eurasian watermilfoil, *Myriophyllum spicatum*, was surveyed four times during the summer at Crystal River, Florida, for the weevil, *Litodactylus leucogaster*, which had been released during 1979. No adults of *L. leucogaster*, which is native to the northern U.S., were recovered although 1435 adults of the native Florida weevil, *Perenthis vestitus*, were collected during the survey. Eight hundred forty flowers, buds, and stems were examined for immatures of *L. leucogaster* without success. It is still too early to report failure of establishment especially considering the large amount of milfoil to be searched.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS WITH INSECTS

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Proj. No.: 7602-20280-001 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: A1S Period: 11 APR 80 TO 11 APR 84

OBJECTIVES: To provide new insect agents for use in the biological control of aquatic weeds, especially Eurasian watermilfoil, hydrilla, and waterhyacinth, and to increase the effectiveness of those agents already present.

APPROACH: Collect or arrange collections of live insects, both exotic and native, which feed on the target aquatic weeds and assemble data necessary to obtain clearance to import them into quarantine or release them in the field. The biology and host specificity will be studied for each new candidate. Field releases will be aided or conducted, if necessary, when clearance is obtained. Studies will be conducted with those agents already present, in order to increase the understanding of their behavior, effect upon the plant, and interspecific competition.

PROGRESS: 80/04 TO 80/12. Laboratory and field observations failed to confirm the literature reports that *Neochetina elchhorniae* weevils were attracted to waterhyacinth plants on which the central petiole had been removed. Large numbers of weevils were found hiding on these plants during the day but it appeared that they were responding to an increase in hiding sites or to increased exposure of succulent new tissue for food. Olfactometer studies reported in the literature were repeated but the reported attraction to chopped plants appeared to be due to an attraction to higher humidity rather than to a plant chemical. Individuals from dense weevil populations were strongly attracted to light while those from sparse populations were only moderately attractive. Migratory activity might be influenced by weevil density since migrating weevils are attracted to lights. Laboratory biology and host specificity studies were conducted with a native aquatic moth, *Parapoynx seminealis*. This species has been reported only upon floating heart, *Nymphoides aquaticum*. Complete development has been obtained thus far only upon floating heart, but after 3 months larvae are still alive and feeding upon two other plant species. The potential feeding range is thus broader than the actual feeding range found in the field.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/04 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.039  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: GE000283 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 TO 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and Improve Production and Management Systems for Freshwater Animals Cultured for Food. Nutrition. Water Quality. Diseases. Culture Systems. Evaluate the Economics of Production, Processing and Marketing of Freshwater Food Animals.

APPROACH: Practical diets for channel catfish and rainbow trout will be tested in raceways. Water quality in raceways will be monitored and removal of wastes investigated. Diseases and parasites problems associated with intensive cultures will be identified and treated. The double-crop concept of using CC in summer and KI in winter in raceways will be continued. Polyculture for increased production through wastes utilization will be evaluated. Complete costs and returns analyses will be developed for different levels of production and management.

PROGRESS: 76/09 TO 78/12. Research has been completed with a flowing water system for double-crop fish production in a closed system of raceways. Each raceway segment, ca. 30 m long by 4.5 m wide, was stocked with 3,000 rainbow trout (November - March) and 2,500 channel catfish (April - October) per segment and produced over 3/4 T. and 1 T. of trout and catfish, respectively, each year. Water temperatures for 20 or more days under 4°C reduced trout production significantly. Multiple harvesting of catfish resulted in higher net production of fish per raceway segment. Feed conversion for multiple harvested/stocked fish was 1.3:1; whereas, once harvested fish had a conversion of 1.5:1. Feed conversion ratios were higher for catfish fed a sinking feed than for those fed a floating feed. To facilitate management of waste products in raceways, tilapia were stocked with catfish at 50 and 100 half-pound tilapia. Although they increased in weight from 1/2 pound to 1.1 pounds per fish, the tilapia did not reproduce.

PUBLICATIONS: 76/09 TO 78/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

003.040 CFIS0075438  
A STUDY OF THE MICROBIOLOGICAL FLORA OF ORNAMENTAL FISHES

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Agency ID: CSVM-1029 Period: 01 JUL 75 TO 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Survey imported tropical ornamental fish and transport water for parasites, bacteria, and viruses potentially harmful to humans, domestic livestock and fish.

APPROACH: Selected samples of fish imported from Southeast Asia are examined microscopically for parasites. Bacterial and virus identification and isolation are done using standard bacteriological and virological techniques.

PROGRESS: 79/07 TO 80/06. Studies on the use of an ozone generator suggest that the oxidizing effect is significantly reduced as the amount of organics rises in the water. Whereas ozone has a marked antibacterial, antiprotozoal effect in vitro, expected results in an actual fish culture system were not forthcoming. Studies using UV light to stem the extension of an infestation of *Ichthyophthirius multifiliis* infection through a central system suggest that UV light will effect tomites if the exposure is intense enough.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/07 TO 80/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.041 CRIS0075439  
DETERMINATION OF EFFICACY OF CERTAIN ANTI-PARASITIC  
DRUGS FOR FISHES

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Agency ID: CSVN-X030 Period: 01 JUN 77 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine if new classes of drugs are  
both efficacious for treatment of monogenetic  
trematodes, parasitic protozoans of fish while being  
non-toxic to the fish.

APPROACH: Selected fish with known loads of parasites  
are subjected to exposure to graded doses of drugs.  
Fish are examined at successive intervals  
post-treatment to evaluate activity and toxicity of  
drugs.

PROGRESS: 79/07 TO 80/06. It was shown that  
monogenetic trematodes (*Gyrodactylus elegans*) on  
common goldfish (*Carassius auratus*) have developed an  
apparent resistance to the recommended dosages of  
organophosphates (.25 ppm).

PUBLICATIONS: 79/07 TO 80/06

GOVEN, B.A., GILBERT, J.P. and GRATZKE, J.E. 1980.  
Apparent Drug Resistance to the Organophosphate  
Dimethyl (2,2,2, - Trichloro-1-hydroxyethyl)  
Phosphonate by Monogenetic Trematodes. J.  
Wildlife Diseases. 16,343-347.

003.042 CRIS0075472  
SEROLOGIC AND VIRULENCE STUDIES OF *AEROMONAS*  
*HYDROPHILA*

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MEDICINE; UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS, GEORGIA.  
30602.  
Agency ID: CSVN-0129 Period: 01 JAN 77 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine the existence of serologic  
groups within the genus species *Aeromonas hydrophila*.  
Determine the relationship of these serologic groups  
to virulence for fish and other aquatic life. Develop  
diagnostic technique(s) capable of selecting virulent  
strains of *Aeromonas hydrophila* from clinical  
situations.

APPROACH: Development of a group of selective  
antisera against *Aeromonas hydrophila* isolates  
through selective sorption of antisera with  
appropriate antigens. Having developed the above,  
group isolates according to reactivity in the  
prepared antisera and examine their virulence through  
infectivity studies concomitant with the infectivity  
studies carry out an evaluation of the developed  
antisera as a diagnostic aid in the detection of  
virulent strains of *Aeromonas hydrophila*.

PROGRESS: 79/07 TO 80/06. Extreme heterogeneity  
existed among strains of *Aeromonas hydrophila* used.  
Cross absorption of antisera resulted in presence of  
specific antigenic characters 17% of time. No  
correlation seen between characters and virulence in  
channel catfish, (*Ictalurus punctatus*). Recovery of  
marker strains from fish were reduced from 100% to  
38% at 96 h.p.i. in peritoneal cavity and from 25% to  
0% at 96 h.p.i. from blood suggesting in vivo  
serologic alteration or mortality due to indigenous  
flora.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/07 TO 80/06

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.043 CRIS0078919  
FRESHWATER FISH ANIMALS

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Agency ID: CSVN-0031 Period: 01 MAR 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and  
management systems for freshwater animals cultured  
for food. D. Diseases.

APPROACH: Strains of *A. hydrophila* from catfish,  
goldfish and trout will be studied using standard  
biochemical tests as well as immunological tests.  
Efficacy of treatment for monogenetic trematodes will  
be determined by dose-response studies using lots of  
known infested fish with treatment histories. Drugs  
utilized will be trichlorfon and flubendazole.  
Development of a vaccine for ichthyophthirius will be  
attempted by utilizing the principle of heterologous  
vaccination as previously used with virus vaccines.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A vaccine for  
Ichthyophthirius multifiliis has been developed using  
antigens from *Tetrahymena pyriformis*. *T. pyriformis*  
is easily propagated and antigenic material is easily  
recovered.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

GOVEN, B.A., DAVE, D.L. and J.E. Gratzke.  
Protection of channel catfish, *Ictalurus*  
*punctatus* Rafinesque, against Ichthyophthirius  
multifiliis Fouquet by immunization. J. Fish.  
Biol. 1980. 17,311-316.

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DISEASES OF AQUACULTURE SPECIES

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Proj. No.: HAW00239 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 73 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Identify and characterize diseases of  
aquacultural organisms, seek optimum methods for  
control and treatment of these diseases and catalog  
this information for use by aquaculturists and  
biologists.

APPROACH: Diseases of aquacultural organisms,  
particularly of the freshwater prawn, will be studied  
as they occur under natural or experimental  
conditions. Pathologic and microbiologic techniques  
will be used. Environmental parameters such as  
temperature, salinity, pH, will be studied and  
correlated with the occurrence of disease. Optimal  
methods for diagnosis, treatment and control will be  
sought. This information will be disseminated by  
publication in journals or extension circulars.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Significant decreases in  
daily weight gains were recorded in prawns,  
*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*, subjected to both adverse  
temperature and ammonia in the water. Increasing  
temperatures up to 34 degrees C caused decreased  
weight gains in fed prawns and increased weight  
losses in unfed prawns. Significant decreases in  
weight gains were seen within 7 days in prawns in 40  
and 20 ppm of ammonia as compared to prawns held in  
water containing 10, 5, and 0 ppm of ammonia.  
Clotting of prawn hemolymph and precipitation of  
hemolymph proteins precluded automated clinical  
laboratory tests. Increased hemolymph glucose was  
detected in heat stressed prawns.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

CROWELL, S.K. and NAKAMURA, R.M. 1980. Effects of  
Thermal Stress in *Macrobrachium rosenbergii*.  
Proc. West. Sec. Amer. Soc. Anim. Sci. 31:31-32.

003.045 CRIS0083231  
ENVIRONMENTAL GILL DISEASE IN RAINBOW TROUT

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Proj. No.: IDA00799 Project Type: ANIMAL  
HEALTH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 15 JAN 81 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: To document the pathogenesis of  
environmental gill disease (EGD) in juvenile rainbow  
trout from the standpoints of: quantitative  
environmental factors; sequential histopathological



changes, to propose efficacious methods of preventing and/or treating environmental gill disease in juvenile rainbow trout.

**APPROACH:** Groups of 500-600 juvenile rainbow trout (with appropriate untreated controls) will be exposed to varying levels of dissolved oxygen, ammonia-N, water temperature, and suspended solids for extended periods. Samples will be taken weekly for examination of gill tissues. Growth rates will be monitored. A second series of experiments will measure the relative efficacies of chemicals to prevent or reduce the severity of EGD in juvenile rainbow trout. Appropriate untreated controls will be used.

003.046 C&IS0065632  
**THE EFFICACY OF SELECTED ANTIHISTAMICS IN THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF BACTERIAL KIDNEY DISEASE**

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Proj. No.: IIA-CFU-0037 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: CCI Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 JUN 76

**OBJECTIVES:** Test several parenterally administered antibacterials for their ability to control bacterial kidney disease in adult salmonids; field test an antibacterial efficacious in controlling bacterial kidney disease.

**APPROACH:** Adult spring chinook salmon will be injected subcutaneously with one of several potential systemic antibacterials capable of controlling bacterial kidney disease; at spawning time or before all fish will be examined for gross and microscopic lesions of bacterial kidney disease; the progeny of the injected fish will be monitored for congenital anomalies and incidence of bacterial kidney disease; subsequent field trials using the most efficacious antibacterial will be conducted to determine cost/benefit ratio in detail.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. This is a continuing study to reduce the prespawning mortality due to the bacterial kidney disease in adult spring chinook salmon. During 1980 the prespawning mortality due to bacterial kidney disease was 9.48% - a significant reduction from previous years. The study is also designed to reduce the mortality due to bacterial kidney disease in juvenile spring chinook salmon. The annual mortality has been reduced from more than 20% to virtually 0.0%. The adult fish are injected with 5 mg/lb erythromycin phosphate at the time they enter the trapping facility. The juvenile occurrences of bacterial kidney disease are prevented by water hardening the eggs at the time of fertilization in 2 mg/l erythromycin phosphate.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.047 C&IS0069916  
**SELECTIVE CHEMICALS FOR THE CONTROL OF THE THREESPINE STICKLEBACK**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0038 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 AUG 74 To 30 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Increase the production of salmon in Alaska waters by selective chemical control of stickleback.

**APPROACH:** Screened by fish assays about 2000 potential piscicides to detect those which might be selectively lethal to the threespine stickleback.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Control of stickleback in streams and other locales is achieved by selective addition of chemicals that form free azide radicals in water, specifically sodium azide and potassium azide. Subsequent deactivation, when desired, is achieved by addition of calcium compounds. High

selectivity to stickleback can be achieved with minimal risk to desirable game fish in the salmon and trout groups. (Federal regulations require that azides be cleared for use in natural waters.)

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
MACPHEE, C. and CHENG, F.F. 1980. Fish Culture by Stickleback Population Eradication. United States Patent 4,221,702, 5 pp. Sept. 8.

003.048 C&IS005946  
**BIOLOGY AND CONTROL OF AQUATIC VEGETATION**

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Proj. No.: IND055036 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 71 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate effects of herbicides on aquatic weeds and water quality parameters under greenhouse and field conditions. Evaluate non-herbicidal methods of aquatic weed control such as herbivorous fish and light-shading dyes. Study and correlate aquatic plant life cycles, morphology, and cellular structure with selectivity to herbicides.

**APPROACH:** Develop management techniques to control aquatic weeds with a minimum of adverse effects on water quality, plankton and fish. Herbicides and water-soluble dyes will be evaluated, and field studies of the biological control agent, the white snout, will be continued. The biology of difficult-to-control aquatic weeds will be studied to determine environmental c.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies were continued on the difficult-to-control, mat-forming green alga, Pithophora, with emphasis on the factors regulating its seasonal and spatial distribution in lakes in order to 1) develop timely and appropriate management techniques and 2) serve as a basis for studying other weedy filamentous algae of which little is known. Peak abundance of Pithophora biomass in an Indiana lake occurs in late summer and is associated with photosynthetic rates which increase from early spring to a maximum of 31.5 mg O<sub>2</sub>/g dry wt/hr in September. A portion of the vegetative filaments with akinetes (spores) makes up the overwintering population and is still photosynthetically competent with O<sub>2</sub> evolution rates of 2.33 mg/g dry wt/hr when measured in December. Tests with a commonly used algicide, simazine, show reduced initial rates of photosynthesis; however upon removal of the alga from simazine treatment, even after 14 day exposures, photosynthetic rates rapidly recover to control rates. Simazine does not appear to be an effective algaicidal material for Pithophora control. Spatial distribution of the alga in the study lake indicates a high nutrient requirement. Half-saturation constants (K<sub>s</sub>) at 20 degrees C relating filament growth to external concentrations of Nitrate-N is 1.23 mg l<sup>-1</sup> and for phosphate-phosphorus, 0.1 mg l<sup>-1</sup>. This type of information is currently being expanded to develop water quality standards for local and state agencies to use in the control of this alga.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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**ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS OF SALMONELLICIDIS**

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Proj. No.: IND073019 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 71 To 30 JUN 76

**OBJECTIVES:** Assess environmental parameters influencing *Salmonella* survival and multiplication. Investigate *Salmonella* spp. as pollution monitors. Characterize salmonellosis in livestock and companion animals. Survey the presence of *Salmonella* in the food chain and processing environments. Study impact of livestock rearing practices on the prevalence, course and prevention of salmonellosis.

**APPROACH:** Standard methodologies for the collection, cultivation and identification of the Enterobacteriaceae (Ewing) will be followed. River water, bottom sediment and freshwater aquatic fauna (fish, mollusks and crustaceans) will be sampled for presence of salmonellae. Tissues and excreta from salmonellosis patients in the Purdue Large Animal Clinic as well as those animals involved in epizootics on farms will be collected and examined for salmonellae. Samples of fresh or frozen foods at the retail level will be collected (with Ind. State Board Health Staff) and assessed for salmonellae content. Field trips with animal/disease diagnostic lab personnel and extension specialists (Ani. Sci & Vet Sci.) to investigate husbandry practices relating to salmonellosis outbreaks in livestock.

**PROGRESS:** 78/01 TO 78/12. Antibigrams for 811 *Salmonella* (10 serotypes) were determined; 160 were from livestock infections and 651 from the environment, i.e., river water, fish, mussels, cranes and raccoons. Livestock strains were more resistant (25%) to ampicillin, tetracycline, kanamycin, neomycin, streptomycin and sulfonamides. Twelve antimicrobials were employed (Kirby-Bauer disc method). A raccoon and a river water isolate were nalidixic acid resistant. Livestock salmonellae are exposed to antimicrobials in feed or during therapy, and develop resistance. Environmental isolates have less drug contact and remain sensitive to most antibiotics.

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HOST-PARASITE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE CHANNEL  
CATFISH AND ICETHYOPETRIIUS MULTIFILIIS

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Proj. No.: KAN00218 Project Type: ANIMAL  
HEALTH  
Agency ID: CSFS Period: 14 JAN 81 To 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** To develop methods for maintaining *I. multifiliis* by cryopreservation; to determine presence of a carrier state of this parasite on fish surfaces and develop an ELISA for detection of the parasite; to evaluate host resistance mechanisms and attempt to develop a means of immunization of catfish.

**APPROACH:** Cryopreservation methods used for other protozoans will be adapted for preservation of *I. multifiliis*. Survival time of the parasite will be measured using a fluorochromasia technique. A method for determining tomites per liter of water will be established and used to study water in which there are infected fish. An ELISA will be established to study parasite density in waters harboring infected fish. The effect of stress on naturally

occurring and experimental infections will be evaluated. The humoral response will be characterized according to the types of antibodies produced, the development of a memory response, interaction of complement components with antibody and antigen and the cells involved in the immune response. Vaccines will be prepared from formal-treated and freeze-dried parasites and tested.

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CELL CULTURE STUDIES ON CELL LINES DEVELOPED FROM  
TISSUES OF AQUATIC ANIMAL

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Agency ID: CSVM0034-SVM Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Prepare primary cell lines from tissues of aquatic animals. Characterize various cell lines from aquatic animals. Preserve suitable or promising aquatic animal cultures in liquid nitrogen. Utilize crayfish cell lines to screen for crustacean viruses.

**APPROACH:** Various cell lines will be prepared from vertebrate and invertebrate aquatic animals (utilizing standard techniques). Established aquatic cell lines will be obtained from additional cell repositories. The cell lines will be characterized as to growth potential, utilization for viral susceptibility and will be screened for use as target cells in studies with toxins obtained from aquatic pathogens.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. Aquatic cell lines (15) are being maintained in the Cell Culture Center of the School of Veterinary Medicine. Two of the cell lines, Brown Bullhead and Frog Tongue, were used as indicator systems to test the effects of purified bacterial toxins from *Aeromonas hydrophila*, an opportunistic aquatic bacterial pathogen. Utilization of a microtiter system was used to quantitate the toxin during various stages of purification. Toxin preparations were obtained from the LSU Amphibian Facility. To study the effects of the toxin at a more detailed cellular level, cells were labeled with <sup>51</sup>Cr. Membrane damage due to the toxin was monitored by the release of <sup>51</sup>Cr into the supernatant fluids. Efforts are being continued to develop crayfish and molluscan cell lines.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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TOXICITY OF AEROMONAS HYDROPHILA EXOTOXINS IN  
CHANNEL CATFISH

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Proj. No.: LAV-0206-SVM Project Type: ANIMAL  
HEALTH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 MAY 81 To 30 APR 84

**OBJECTIVES:** To determine the median lethal dose (LD<sub>50</sub>) for *A. hydrophila* exotoxins in channel catfish fingerlings. To determine the role of endotoxin on exotoxin toxicity. To compare the pathology of toxin toxicity to natural *Aeromonas hydrophila* bacteremias.

**APPROACH:** A single exotoxin preparation grown in a defined medium will be harvested, divided into equal aliquots & frozen. Five groups of 15 channel catfish will be injected intramuscularly in series with a two-fold serial dilution of the original toxin, scored for mortalities, and the LD<sub>50</sub> value calculated by the method of Reed and Muench (1938). Endotoxin will be prepared by the method of Westphal and Jann (1965) and LD<sub>50</sub> values determined as for exotoxin. Six groups of 15 fingerling catfish will be inoculated with one of the following preparations: LD<sub>50</sub> dose of exotoxin; LD<sub>50</sub> dose of exotoxin with



LD(50) dose of endotoxin; LD(50) dose of endotoxin; and physiological saline. Hematological and histological pathology will be determined in fish which have been injected with varying doses of exotoxin and endotoxin with endotoxin, including long term effects of sublethal doses.

003.053 CRIS0083896  
ULTRASTRUCTURAL CHANGES IN TELEOST GILLS: EFFECTS OF  
SUBTLE ALTERATIONS IN THE ENVIRONMENT

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Agency ID: CSVM0180-SVMPeriod: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: To develop techniques for ultrastructural examination of fish gills. To compare by light and electron microscopy, normal gill morphology to morphology in which fish have been subjected to specific environmental changes. To correlate morphopathology and environmental changes and propose a pathogenic basis for disease development. To examine random gill samples from clear and polluted fresh, estuarine and marine populations of both cultured and feral fish. These samples will be compared to those which have been previously examined.

APPROACH: Gills will be collected from laboratory cultured fish which have been exposed to pH and dissolved oxygen alteration, addition of ammonia and sewage effluent and increase in fish population density. Gills will be collected from apparently healthy and sick feral and propagated food fish. These samples will be processed and sectioned according to standard methods and examined with the light and electron microscope. An attempt will be made to quantify and correlate lesions with the damaging agent involved.

003.054 CRIS0083472  
BIOLOGY AND CONTROL OF AQUATIC ANIMAL DISEASES

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Proj. No.: LAB02163 Project Type: ANIMAL  
HEALTH  
Agency ID: CERS Period: 01 MAR 81 To 31 DEC 86

OBJECTIVES: Develop immunological procedures for studying, diagnosing and preventing aquatic animal diseases. Examine the role of environmental factors on aquatic animal diseases, particularly as they affect the hosts immune response. Examine the structure, biology and pathology of aquatic animal disease organisms.

APPROACH: Three major immunological methods will be explored for adaptation to aquatic animal systems: Lymphocyte stimulation, hemolytic plaque assay and phagocytosis. Assess the effects of temperature, low dissolved oxygen and accumulated nitrogenous waste on the immune system of channel catfish. The antigenic structure of the cell wall *A. hydrophila* will be examined. These preparations and others may then be used as immunogens and evaluated using the immunological techniques developed in Objective 1.

003.055 CRIS0080671  
NUTRITION MANAGEMENT AND DISEASE OF MARINE ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ME08398 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Formulate and evaluate minimal cost lobster rations, study gaffkemia in lobsters including vaccine evaluation and study lobster pound management. Compounded lobster baits will also be evaluated.

APPROACH: Lobsters will be fed diets of various types and growth will be monitored by measuring weight in water and weight in air. Lobsters will be vaccinated with live bacteria so that survival can be measured.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Practical diets formulated with brewer's yeast, fish meal, kelp meal, alfalfa and wheat flour were fed to adult and juvenile lobsters. The basal diet was supplemented with 20,000, 100,000 and 1,000,000 U.S.P. units of vitamin A per Kg of diet. Growth was greatest in lobsters fed 20,000 U.S.P. units of vitamin A per Kg with growth inhibition seen in lobsters fed the higher level supplements. Adult lobsters were injected with P 3 2 labelled *aerococcus viridans*, a fatal lobster pathogen, and the distribution of these bacteria in the animal's body was monitored. The bacteria were primarily phagocytized by the hepatopancreas.

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PISCINE ERYTHROCYTIC NECROSIS IN THE ATLANTIC COD

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Proj. No.: ME08794 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 FEB 76 To 31 JUL 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine possible effects of PEN virus on the Atlantic cod. Isolate and begin characterization of PEN virus. Determine if PEN infects herring and other marine fish.

APPROACH: Hematological and other parameters will be monitored on uninfected, infected, and experimentally infected cod to determine possible deleterious effects on the infection. PEN virus will be isolated from infected fish and preliminary characterization initiated. Possible in vitro techniques for the isolation and study of the virus will be explored. Electron microscopic studies of other fish will be made to determine the host range of the virus.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Procedures have been improved for the primary culture of cells from Atlantic cod (*Gadus morhua*) using a modified marine cell culture medium. Studies are continuing on the effects of piscine erythrocytic necrosis (PEN) virus on cod and cod erythrocytes. Emphasis is being placed on effects on oxygen carrying capacity and blood enzyme activities. Ultra structural studies on PEN virus have been extended. An improved method for fixation of samples for electron microscopy has been developed. The improved resolution afforded by this method has revealed more intricate details of the ultrastructure of PEN virus. Comparative ultrastructural studies of PEN viruses from trout and Atlantic salmon in North America and Europe have been

initiated.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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INFECTIOUS PANCREATIC NECROSIS IN ATLANTIC SALMON

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Proj. No.: ME08793 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: S&ES Period: 01 JAN 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: The general objective of the proposed study is to evaluate the susceptibility of Atlantic salmon to infectious pancreatic necrosis (IPN) and other potentially destructive fish viruses. In addition, techniques for the detection and identification of viruses infecting Atlantic salmon will be developed or improved. Specific objectives: Determine the susceptibility of Atlantic salmon to IPN virus. Evaluate the possible effects of mycoplasma contamination of fish cell cultures on the replication of IPN and other fish viruses.

APPROACH: Atlantic salmon fry will be experimentally infected with IPN virus at different stages of development and under varying environmental conditions. Fish will be monitored for clinical symptoms, immune response, histopathology and mortality rates. Various fish cell cultures will be experimentally contaminated with mycoplasmas isolated from other fish cell cultures and the effect on cell morphology, subculture ability, and ability to support virus replication will be determined.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Infectious pancreatic necrosis virus (IPNV) is the etiologic agent of a serious disease of trout and other salmonid fishes. Recently, similar viruses have been isolated from a variety of marine fishes and shellfish. Numerous IPNV isolates are available that differ in various characteristics. Information on the antigenic relationships of these viruses is either lacking or inconclusive. In this study, neutralization kinetic rate constants (K) were determined for twelve, representative isolates from North America and Europe using two specific antisera. All isolates were neutralized to some degree; however, the technique revealed distinct antigenic differences between a number of isolates. Normalization of K rates (NK) revealed some clustering of antigenically similar isolates but this was not correlated with the geographical areas of isolation. Analysis of NK rates suggested that these isolates could be divided into a minimum of three, tentative antigenic groups. Reciprocal cross kinetic neutralization tests using additional antisera are in progress. This study demonstrated the usefulness of this technique for investigating the antigenic relationships of IPNV.

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SEROLOGICAL METHODS FOR DETECTION AND IDENTIFICATION OF VIRUS DISEASES OF FISH

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Proj. No.: ME-0-2-121-0 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 SEP 80 To 31 AUG 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop improved serological methods for detection and identification of virus diseases of fish.

APPROACH: Develop a solid-phase enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (SP-ELISA) and a solid-phase agglutination of coupled erythrocytes (SPACE) assay for detecting infectious pancreatic necrosis (IPN), infectious hematopoietic necrosis (IHN) and channel catfish (CCU) viruses. The relative sensitivities and practicality of each test will be determined.

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AN EVALUATION OF WIDELY USED HERBICIDES ON AQUATIC PLANTS, FISH AND FISH-FOOD ORGANISMS

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Proj. No.: MICL00959 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 28 OCT 64 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Assess the influence of total alkalinity, pH and temperature of the water on the effectiveness of several widely used herbicides. Test the effect of weed control by chemical means on fish-food organisms. Evaluate fertilization as a method of controlling higher aquatic plants.

APPROACH: Preliminary work in the laboratory will include study of influence of water quality on effectiveness of various herbicides. Toxicity of herbicides to fish will be studied in conjunction with the laboratory, experiments. While some fertilization studies can be done in the laboratory, the major effort here will be in farm ponds and small lakes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Lake Lansing, Michigan was treated with sodium arsenite for aquatic weed control in 1957. Two 2.5 m cores from deep portions of the lake basin showed the historical consequence of this treatment. Maxima of 330-340 µg As g<sup>-1</sup> dry weight occurred at depth interval 0.15-0.30 m; background was 17-20 ppm As. An arsenic mass balance budget for the lake for June 1978 to June 1979 showed it lost more arsenic than it received from the watershed. Internal loading of the water from the sediments was occurring; the surface of the sediments in greater than 85% of the lake had concentrations 2-6 times background. From laboratory experiments, we hypothesize Fe<sup>3+</sup> controls As concentration over aerobic sediments; As(III) increases in anoxic water with conversion of Fe<sup>3+</sup> to Fe<sup>2+</sup> and As(V) to As(III) at the sediment surface. As(III) in water decreases during prolonged anoxia by reaction with S<sup>2-</sup>. As(III) and Fe<sup>2+</sup> are oxidized upon aeration of anoxic water, and As(V) is taken out of solution with ferric iron in a manner similar to phosphate. Arsenic measurements in the lake over an annual cycle fit these expectations. Studies are underway to determine the impact of the annual arsenic cycle on fish food organisms of the lake.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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EFFECTS OF POLLUTANTS ON GILLS OF FRESHWATER FISHES

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Agency ID: CSVMV-0010 Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop the isolated perfused gill preparation as a model for the study of the effect of pollutants on fish.

APPROACH: Experimental investigation of the permeability properties (flux of water across) isolated perfused gills and the effect of pollutants on same, a study of the salt transport capabilities (ATPase levels) in gills exposed to pollutants, and biotransformation of pollutants by gills during transit of materials from the ventilate to the blood vascular space. Test toxicologically some 'model' compounds which represent classes of chemical



compounds found in the process water from in situ gasification of coal.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980 research continued on development of the isolated trout gill preparation as a model for the study of the effects of pollutants on fish. Movement of tritiated water from a bath solution into the vascular compartment is a good qualitative measure of diffusive transfer capacity (P<sub>DA</sub>) of the gill. P<sub>DA</sub> is not constant but can be altered by changes in physical factors such as ventilation, total blood flow, blood pressure, pattern of blood flow and the exchange surfaces and by varying the number of lamellae (exchange surfaces) perfused. These factors which are regulated by humoral and neural means provides fish with elegant control of diffusional mass transport of materials across their gills. In acute experiments of 4 hours duration increasing the acidity of the bath from pH 7.2 to 3.5 by addition of sulfuric acid had no effect on P<sub>DA</sub> but it did increase gill vascular resistance. This response was greater in gills perfused with saline alone than in those perfused with saline containing epinephrine, a potent dilator of gill vessels. In separate experiments with frogs it was found that acid stress caused a reduction in short-circuit current and electrical conductance of isolated skins but with intact animals there was no change in osmotic permeability upon exposure to acid conditions. The data supports the hypothesis that acid stress decreases influx of sodium ions into skins thereby reducing active (inward) sodium transport.

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LIFE HISTORY AND PHYSIOLOGICAL STUDIES OF AQUATIC AND MARGINAL WEEDS

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Proj. No.: 7402-20280-005 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 15 NOV 74 To 15 NOV 79

OBJECTIVES: Study ecophysiology of duckweeds, hydrilla, alligatorweed, smartweeds, waterprimrose, cabomba, waterhyacinth, bluegreen algae, and redvine to aid control.

APPROACH: Field and laboratory studies include: light and emersion effects on alligatorweed budbreak; alligatorweed occurrence and spread; smartweed life-history; calcium/nitrogen nutrition of amaranths and lemnas; cyanophyte nitrogen-fixing effects on duckweed, hydrilla, and cabomba. Biocontrol studies include: ecology and biogeography of native fauna on duckweed, waterprimrose, smartweed, redvine, and alligatorweed, and of *Disoryncha* and *Agasicles* spp. to develop a basis for introduction of *D. argentinensis* on terrestrial alligatorweed.

PROGRESS: 74/11 TO 79/11. Growth analysis show that the exotic alligatorweed has no physiological advantage over native mild smartweed and creeping waterprimrose. Insects introduced for biocontrol have reduced alligatorweed about 30% in the lower Mississippi River basin and adjacent regions. Alligatorweed rooted to the soil in shallow waters is resistant to control. The alligatorweed stemborer is apparently favored by drought and has developed late-season populations for 100% infestation of alligatorweed as far north as Pine Bluff, AR. The alligatorweed flea beetle was shown to be very sensitive to toxaphene and methyl parathion; this sensitivity may partially explain failure of this biocontrol agent in the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta where insecticides are widely used. Growth of submerged

alligatorweed in light apparently depends on the activity of oxygen-producing photosystem II; in the dark, growth occurs only if plants are emerged with direct access to air or if exposed to hydrogen peroxide when submerged. Simazine at  $10^{-5}$  M completely inhibited growth from submerged alligatorweed stem cuttings under artificial lighting. Hydrogen peroxide at 100 mg/L renewed at 48-hr intervals partially reversed the inhibitory effects of simazine on alligatorweed. The submerged alligatorweed system has been shown as a potential bioassay for low levels of simazine in water.

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EFFECTS OF AN ALTERED TEMPERATURE REGIME AND CHEMICAL CONTAMINANTS ON THE AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM

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Proj. No.: W000171 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 19 APR 74 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Ascertain effect of altered thermal regime on incidence of diseased fish, growth of diseased fish, and their resistance to thermal stress. Ascertain effect of altered thermal regime on reproduction in fishes. Ascertain the degradation products of phthalic acid (PAEs) in the hydrosol and their effects on microbial processes. Ascertain effects on phthalic acid on aquatic insects in the hydrosol.

APPROACH: Fish sampled from thermal effluent and reservoir will indicate incidence of lymphocystis. Infected & healthy fish and experimentally for difference in growth & temperature stress. Caged control fish & fish in thermal effluent fed ad libitum. Reproduction cycle and fecundity determined from gonads. Eggs & larvae tested for differences in viability. Natural hydrosols & their microbial populations will be subjected to PAEs. Nitrogen, sulfur and phosphate cycles will be monitored to determine effects of PAEs. PAEs will be added to cultures of the blood worm and egg production, viability, and emergence will be monitored.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. However, some of our earlier work (Jennings 1979) was used and incorporated by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers in their "Missouri River Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project Draft Feasibility Report and Draft EIS for the Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Plan" for the Missouri River. Life history aspects of the southern cavefish, from springs and caves of Camden County were studied. Length frequency distributions failed to delineate age groups, nor did the scales, indicating continuous growth in their constant environment. A sex ratio of 0.56 males to 1.0 females was found and did not vary with increasing length. Spawning appears to occur in May because of the decrease in the gonosomatic index. Females matured at 45 mm and egg number ranged from 20 to 80. Only one male, 58 mm, was mature, the internal anatomy was described by gross dissection and histological sectioning.

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CONTROL OF WHIRLING DISEASE OF SALMONIDS

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Proj. No.: NEV00387

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Period: 05 DEC 75 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Investigate the life cycle of *Myxosoma cerebralis*, the cause of whirling disease. Use these and other research findings as the basis for control of the disease.

APPROACH: Transmission experiments will be performed to determine the effects of temperature, external cysts on diseased fish and the stage of the disease that is contagious. The role of fish eating birds will be studied. Resistant strains of fish and drug treatment will be investigated as control methods. Attempts will be made to follow the development of infection through tissue sectioning.

PROGRESS: 71/10 TO 80/12. Cxytetracycline, Sulfamerazine, Primaquine phosphate, Imidocarb dipropionate, Amprolium, Nicarbazine, Furpyrinol and Furazolidone were continuously fed to susceptible trout in known *M. cerebralis* contaminated water. None of the drugs prevented development of the disease but Furazolidone did reduce spore numbers in infected fish by 90%. However, effective drug levels of 86 mg/kg of body weight reduced the growth rate in medicated fish. Strains of trout (Pit River Rainbow and Eagle River Rainbow) which are resistant to *Ceratomyxa stasta* were found susceptible to whirling disease. Transmission studies showed that live or dead, mature or young *M. cerebralis* infected fish will transmit whirling disease. Further transmission studies showed for the first time that spores remain viable after passing through herrons and ducks and will then transmit the disease to susceptible fish. For the first time infection was demonstrated in a non-salmonid species, the Lahontan Mountain sucker, *Pantosteus lahontan*. Opercular cysts were demonstrated in infected fish. Tissue sectioning revealed numerous *M. cerebralis* spores inside the cysts. It was theorized that this is one method of transmission. A new spore concentration method that does not damage the immunogenicity of the organism was developed. This has been used in antigen preparation for the production of a specific hyperimmune serum against *M. cerebralis*. An enzyme-like immunosorbent assay (ELISA) test was developed for the serological identification of infected fish.

PUBLICATIONS: 71/10 TO 80/12

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SALMON CULTURE - DEVELOPMENT OF NUTRITIONAL AND DISEASE CONTROL PROGRAMS

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Proj. No.: NH00227-S

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 SEP 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine protein level required for feeding at a constant calorie to protein ratio. Determine minimum level of fishmeal without reducing growth. Determine the critical nutrients supplied by fishmeal. Develop an effective autogenous polyvalent bacterin of *Vibrio anguillarum* that will withstand laboratory and field challenge.

APPROACH: Because basically the study involves calorie-protein ratios, initially protein levels will be studied at a constant calorie-protein ratio. Sources of protein will be investigated, particularly in an attempt to lower the quantity of fishmeal used, and to make use of cheaper protein sources. Diets will be studied in both fresh and saltwater rearing programs, and results will be evaluated primarily by growth and feed conversion. Control of vibriosis in sea water reared salmon will be attempted in 2 ways: immunization of the fish using an autogenous bacterin, and investigation of anti-biotic efficacy against *Vibrio anguillarum*. Killed bacterins will be administered parenterally or orally, and the immune response measured by challenge. Antibiotic activity, screened initially in vitro, will be verified orally in vivo.

PROGRESS: 73/07 TO 78/09. Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*) were found to be as susceptible as coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) to Maine-New Hampshire strains of *Vibrio anguillarum* used in both injection and water transmission exposure. Exposure to  $1-2.5 \times 10^5$  organisms/ml of one strain (569) in the water for 1 hr. killed fish of both species at  $10^\circ\text{C}$  and  $15^\circ\text{C}$ . Should similar water exposure conditions occur in Maine estuaries newly released Atlantic salmon smolts may encounter lethal levels of *V. anguillarum*. The organism causing bacterial kidney disease (BKD) in salmonid fishes is a slow growing gram positive rod (perhaps genus *Corynebacterium*) on laboratory media supplemented with cysteine. However, these bacteria grow readily in rainbow trout gonad (RTG-2) cell cultures, using Eagles Minimum Essential Medium Plus 10% newborn calf serum, without antibiotics. Cultures initiated from laboratory media or diseased fish kidneys grow equally well and in six days essentially cover the cell monolayer. No valid data were obtained from the feeding experiment this year because the stock was decimated by kidney disease. This disease is not uncommon in fish culture and unfortunately there is no known cure or effective treatment. Treatment with the antibiotic terramycin and with a greatly elevated level of vitamin C (1000 mg/kg) were without effect. *Vibrio* sp. was isolated from lobsters (*Homarus americanus*) reared in captivity.

PUBLICATIONS: 73/07 TO 78/09

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Pathogenic vibrios comparative susceptibility of Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*) and Coho Salmon.

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FEEDING ECOLOGY OF FISHES UTILIZING MARSHES ALTERED FOR CONTROL OF SALT MARSH MOSQUITOES

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Proj. No.: NJ40503

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 70 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: To study the feeding ecology of salt marsh fishes with emphasis on their role as mosquito predators.

APPROACH: Survey of fishes utilizing salt marsh altered for mosquito control. Study the food habits of the dominant species as determined from the survey in order to determine the most effective mosquito predator. Identification of larval fishes which occur in mosquito breeding areas because these may be important predators on the early mosquito instars.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Fish populations were sampled throughout the year in both natural marshes and marshes that have been altered for mosquito control. Fish species composition varied between study sites with a typical freshwater assemblage common at sites with freshwater or lower salinities and typical estuarine assemblage at high salinities. *Fundulus heteroclitus*, *F. luciae* and *Cyprinodon variegatus* were dominant estuarine fish while freshwater dominate species were *F. daphanus*, *Gambusia affinis*, *Lepomis gibbosus* and *Notemigonus*.



crystoleucas. Seasonal changes in both salinity and faunal populations were noted in impoundments.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**NATURAL SEED OYSTER BEDS OF THE DELAWARE BAY**

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Proj. No.: NJ32500 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 62 To 01 JAN 89

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop information on and conduct research leading to the goal of disease-free oysters in the Delaware Bay area.

**APPROACH:** Conduct such field and laboratory studies on MSX in oyster populations as required. Advise the Delaware Bay authorities of the best management practices to preserve good seed beds and develop new beds.

**PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12.** The oyster planters of Delaware Bay depend almost exclusively on the State-controlled natural seed beds of the upper Bay for their supply of seed oysters which are planted on privately-leased beds in the lower Bay. Under this project our laboratory provides basic information on the seed beds and recommendations for their management to the State Division of Fish, Game and Shell-fisheries. In 1980 over 400,000 bushels of seed oysters were removed from the beds in the regular spring planting season. Based on our recommendations, two of the Beds, Egg Island and the Ledge, and a major portion of New Beds, were closed to the taking of seed because of a preponderance of small oysters of the 1978 and 1979 year classes. Following the spring-early summer dredging, a moderate to light general set of 1980 year class oysters occurred on the seed beds. MSX disease mortalities in the 1980 planted stocks were unusually heavy in the summer, fall and early winter of 1980-81. Mortalities in oysters on the lower seed beds were 1/2 to 1/3 those on the planted grounds immediately below the boundary, the Southwest Line separating seed beds and leased bottom. Based on these data and those of the preceding 20 years establishing that similar differential mortalities between seed beds and planting grounds have been the general rule.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**DISEASE-RESISTANT OYSTERS**

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Proj. No.: NJ32504 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 64 To 30 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Verify the relative high resistance of Delaware Bay oyster stocks to MSX, increase the supply of such oysters, study and modify current procedures for artificial rearing of oysters, experimentally transmit MSX in the laboratory and increase the yield of market oysters by the control of predators.

**APPROACH:** Field experiments will be established to accomplish most of the objectives. Disease free oysters will be imported and planted where necessary, various chemicals will be tested for the control of shell-routing and oyster drills. Laboratory procedures will be established to study artificial

rearing of oyster and to experimentally transmit MSX under controlled conditions so that the nature of this disease will be more fully known.

**PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12.** Earlier reports have emphasized that the epizootic oyster disease, commonly called MSX, which first appeared in Delaware Bay in 1957, has been continuously present in the Bay since then. Its prevalence and intensity have fluctuated in cyclic fashion with 3 periods of low prevalence in 1962, 1971 and 1978. Intervening periods of high prevalence have not been consistently correlated with any environmental factor or set of factors. Survival of the Delaware Bay oyster industry has been based on the availability, at reasonable cost, of a moderately disease-resistant seed from the upper Bay natural beds. Our studies have shown, that, on long-term average, an oyster planter may expect to lose approximately 38% of his oysters to disease in the first year after planting. In good years, like 1978, this loss will drop to 15 - 20%. In bad years, like 1972 and 1980, the disease loss alone approaches 50%. This disease loss in 1980, coupled with poor growth and condition in the surviving oysters, resulted in a disastrous year for the planters. Our work in this project enabled us to evaluate the 1980 losses and place them in long-term perspective. Our more rigidly selected, laboratory-reared stocks of resistant oysters held up well under the 1980 disease pressure with mortality rates in these experimental stocks at 1/5 to 1/2 those of the native resistant seed stock.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**BIOLOGY AND CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS**

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Proj. No.: NJ15180 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 12 JAN 68 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Learn more about the life histories and ecological requirements of problem aquatic weed species; study the effects of herbicides on aquatic weeds in relation to dosage rate, stage of growth of plant, herbicide formulation, and ecological conditions under which the plant is growing and to formulate safe, effective, and economically feasible control measures for aquatic weeds.

**APPROACH:** Problem aquatic weed species will be studied in their natural habitats and under controlled conditions in the laboratory, greenhouse, and experimental ponds; and the response of aquatic weeds to various herbicides will be determined under various conditions in trials to be conducted in the greenhouse and in the field.

**PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12.** Further investigation of seed germination in white water lily (*Nymphaea odorata*) has shown that the observed dormancy in freshly harvested seed is due to some intrinsic physiological mechanism and is not due to impermeability of the seed coat. Mechanical disruption of the seed coat has no effect on germination. Crowding of intact seed in a small volume of water or chilling the seed at 4 degrees C overcomes dormancy. The positive effect of crowding appears to be the result of a buildup of dissolved ethylene in the water. Varying the concentrations of dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> in the water does not affect germination. Freezing and air drying of seed for short periods of time (even for a few hours of drying) renders the seed incapable of germination. The investigations also showed that the seeds of *Nymphaea odorata* have a definite light requirement for germination to occur.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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## NATURALLY OCCURRING MOSQUITO LARVICIDES

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 Proj. No.: NYZ-2213-02-003 Project Type: STATE  
 Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUN 78 To 31 AUG 80

OBJECTIVES: Naturally occurring substances from algae are known to inhibit the development of mosquito larvae into the adult stage. These substances show signs of acting selectively. The primary objectives of the research are to isolate and identify such mosquito larvicides produced by the freshwater green alga *Cladophora* and then after develop them as mosquito control agents.

APPROACH: Various forms of chromatography will be employed as separation procedures. The separation will be monitored by the composite sample bioassay using *A. aegypti* as the test organism. Spectral techniques will be used for identification. Evaluation of control effectiveness will be carried out in the laboratory and in the field.

PROGRESS: 79/10 TO 80/08. The objective of the project was the identification of plant-produced agents having activity against mosquito larvae. The fresh water green alga *Cladophora glomerata* produces active saturated fatty acids identified by spectral means as capric [10:0], lauric [12:0], myristic [14:0] and palmitic [16:1 (9c)] acids. The LD(50) values of these acids in the order just given are: 14, 7, 4 and 3 ppm respectively against the standard test organism *A. triseriatus*. The most active acids 12:0, 14:0 and 16:1 (9c) were found to be released by the powdered alga at pH 8.5, the pH of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River. N-(2-Methylpropyl)-(E,E)-2,4-decadienamide was found to be an active mosquito larvicide (LD(50) 2 ppm) from the terrestrial plant *Achillea millefolium*. Another fatty acid amide isolated and identified from the same plant is (E,E)-2,4-decadienpiperidide whose LD(50) is 13 ppm. The same level of activity was observed for (E,E)-2,4-decadienpyrrolidide and piperine. Several fatty acid isobutyramides were synthesized and tested for antilarval activity. An order of antilarval activity comparable to that of N-(2-methylpropyl)-(E,E)-2,4-decadienamide was observed when the skeletal chain length contained 14-16 members (including nitrogen) and when at least one double bond was conjugated with the amide carbonyl.

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## BACTERIAL KIDNEY DISEASE IN RAINBOW TROUT: PATHOGENESIS, IMMUNITY, AND EFFECT OF WATER HARDNESS

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 Proj. No.: NYCV426382 Project Type: ANIMAL HEALTH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 18 FEB 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: To define the early events in BKD pathogenesis: route to entry, site(s) of multiplication and method(s) of dissemination through the body. To determine the effect of water hardness on susceptibility of rainbow trout to BKD. To characterize the chronology of the humoral and cellular immune response to BKD. To compare the

immune response to BKD in hard and soft water. To challenge a group of susceptible fish by maintaining them in water from a tank of BKD-infected fish, thus stimulating a natural horizontal exposure.

APPROACH: Rainbow trout of 30 gm mean body mass, kept in 95% recirculated dechlorinated tap water at 14°C, will be divided into 3 groups of 200 fish. The first group will be infected with *Renobacterium salmoninarum* by intraperitoneal inoculation. The second will be infected by constant exposure to the effluent of the first group. The third group will be uninfected. Half of each group will be kept in soft water of 5 mg/L total hardness (TH), the other half in hard water of approximately 175 mg/L TH. Postmortem examinations will be conducted on all dead or moribund fish and on fish sacrificed every other day for the first two weeks and weekly thereafter for ten weeks. Immune status will be determined weekly using, microagglutination, immunodiffusion, indirect immunofluorescence, leukocyte migration inhibition, antigen binding, and in vivo delayed type hypersensitivity.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Preliminary studies on Bacterial Kidney Disease (BKD) have demonstrated the possibility of infecting rainbow trout fingerlings by feeding kidney tissue from infected brook trout. Approximately 50% developed fatal clinical disease. A second feeding produced no further cases. Transferring the apparently unaffected fish to one-half strength sea water did not induce overt disease. In clinically diseased fish the causative bacteria were demonstrable in frozen kidney sections and impression smears stained with FITC labeled anti-BKD serum. The sections proved more sensitive. Enzyme labeled anti-BKD serum has been obtained but not tested. Preliminary trials have shown that Walleye fry and fingerlings can be infected with the viruses of Infectious Pancreatic Necrosis (IPN) and Infectious Haematopoietic Necrosis (IHN). Titers of recovered virus were in some cases higher than that of the inoculum in fish infected by intraperitoneal injection and by bath exposure. Lesions typical of IHN were produced in several walleye and about equal numbers of the rainbow trout that were exposed in parallel. In cooperation with the Tunison Laboratory of Fish Nutrition, rainbow trout and Atlantic salmon fry were reared on diets containing varying levels of magnesium and calcium. The combination of low magnesium and adequate or high calcium produced poor growth, and muscle and kidney degenerative lesions. The effect was enhanced in soft water. IPN virus was isolated from 2 diagnostic cases.

## PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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## INVEST. OF THE ROLE OF LARVAL AMERICAN OYSTERS (CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA) AS CARRIERS OF OYSTER DISEASE

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 Agency ID: CSVM-426-386 Period: 01 JAN 80 To 01 JAN 82

OBJECTIVES: To determine if 2 known pathogens of adult oysters infect or can be carried by larval oysters. To attempt to isolate and characterize a virus observed as a virus-like particle in larval oyster tissues.

APPROACH: Infectious organisms will be isolated from adult oyster tissue. These will be inoculated into culture of oyster larvae. Larvae will be monitored with histological and electron microscopical techniques. Larval tissue extract will be applied to primary cultures of adult oyster cells.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Attempts were made to induce disease in larval American oysters, *Crassostrea virginica* with *Perkinsus marinus* and *Minchinia nelsoni* which are well recognized pathogens of the adult oyster. Histological and ultrastructural examination of experimental animals did not reveal



any signs of infectivity. Attempts were made to isolate an oyster virus in primary cultures of oyster heart tissue. Although the cell culture system seemed to work satisfactorily, evidence of in vitro infection was not detected. A fluorescent antibody test for *Perkinsus marinus* has been partially developed. The antibody reagent appears to be specific and while titers obtained were not as high as hoped for, the test appears to be promising. A bacterial disease of European and American oysters (*Ostrea edulis* and *O. virginica*) from Maine and Massachusetts was characterized. Surface attaching *Vibrio* spp. caused perforations in periostracum, ligament erosion and abnormal deposition of calcium carbonate. The bacteria were characterized biochemically and specific antibody was produced.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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DISEASES OF AQUATIC ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: NYC-43J-380 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 74 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop a program to determine the viral flora of shellfish and salmonids that serve as a source of food for man and animals. Particular importance and study will be attached to viruses associated with disease. Establish the impact of human and animal pathogens residing in shellfish of the New York City Bight area on the health and welfare of man.

APPROACH: Apply virological cultural methods and immunological techniques in performing qualitative and quantitative measurements for virus in shellfish and salmonids. Establish the nature of the host-parasite relationship in shellfish--virological, bacteriological, mycological, and parasitological.

PROGRESS: 75/01 TO 80/12. An abstract of the most important phase of his studies is as follows: "The pathogenesis of infectious pancreatic necrosis virus (IPNV) infection in brook trout and rainbow trout was examined using intraperitoneal inoculation and exposure to virus in feed and water. Fish were sampled sequentially and the distribution of virus determined by virus isolation, histopathology, and immunofluorescence. Following intraperitoneal inoculation virus entered the peritoneal cavity and was found consistently in the blood beginning 24 hours after the injection. Viremia undoubtedly aided in the spread of virus and by 2 DPI virus had interacted with the pancreatic exocrine cells. Replication in these cells resulted in the production of IPNV specific antigen, necrosis of infected cells, and spread of infectious virus to adjacent tissue. Areas of viral replication were at first multifocal but tended to merge as they grew. Eventually most of the acinar tissue became involved and only small pockets of normal acinar cells remained. Twelve-week old brook trout survived with only a small amount of functional exocrine pancreas and limited virus replication continued in this tissue for weeks. Extensive virus replication appeared to take place only in the pancreas although viral antigen and slight pathological changes were found in the renal interstitium and livers of some fish.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/01 TO 80/12  
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ECOLOGY OF PURPLE LOOSESTRIPE (*LYTBRUM SALICARIA*)

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Proj. No.: NYC-147327 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Three seasons of field study are proposed to describe the development, growth and phenology of purple loosestrife; determine the impact of loosestrife on a marsh ecosystem; investigate methods for the control of loosestrife.

APPROACH: Plant collections will be made during the growing season to document development and phenology of loosestrife. Its ecological interaction with other plant and animal species in a marsh ecosystem will be approached through use of aerial photographs, enclosures, and transect sampling. Possible control methods to be tested include water level manipulation, mowing, burning, and mechanical removal.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A third year of field study was completed in central New York. Survival, growth, and flower phenology measurements of seedlings naturally established in 1978 continue to provide data on the life history of this species. Testing of control methodology is involving the use of the chemical glyphosate, mechanical cutting, a combination of cutting and burning, and water level manipulation were also continued. Of the various methods tested, treatment with the herbicide, glyphosate, is proving to be the most promising. Work was also continued in looking at the ecological interaction of loosestrife with both wetland plants and animals. Competition experiments were conducted using a variety of plant species including cattail, phragmites, rice cut-grass, Japanese millet and reed canary grass. Transect surveys were also conducted to compare utilization of loosestrife dominated wetlands versus cattail with respect to muskrat activity as well as use by marsh wrens, blackbirds, and bitterns.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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DISEASES OF SHELLFISH

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Proj. No.: NYC-426381 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 74 To 06 OCT 79

OBJECTIVES: Diagnose shellfish diseases and public health hazards associated with consumption of shellfish. Experimentally reproduce specific pure infections in disease-free shellfish under controlled laboratory conditions. Study the pathogenesis, immune response and range of specific environmental influences related to experimental diseases in the above studies. Develop, from the above studies, methods of prevention, control and eradication of those diseases of shellfish of economic and public health importance. The development of an educational program for the shell fish industry, the veterinary college and professional disease specialists for the shellfish industry.

APPROACH: During regular monthly visits to Long Island shellfish cooperators, materials will be collected and these will be brought back to the Veterinary College for bacteriological processing. Organisms isolated will be used in carrying out research related to the above objectives. Findings will be related to the shellfish industry as part of the extension activities.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 79/12. In the previous report, the characteristics of spontaneous outbreaks of vibriosis in commercial hivalve shellfish hatcheries was reported. Work during the current period dealt with experimental vibriosis in oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*) larvae and in a model hatchery culture system. First, the functional anatomy of normal

larvae was defined in order to interpret the pathologic responses. The later study yielded much new information relative to the velum, digestive tract, body cavities and other functional and morphologic features. Experimental exposure of larvae to defined doses of pure cultures of *Vibrio* spp. isolated from spontaneous field infection was studied. The mortality, morbidity and pathologic responses were described. The progress and specificity of the bacterial infection was monitored by immunofluorescence. A microbiologic study of the course of the disease in an experimental model hatchery vessel was conducted. The results indicated that larvae selectively removed *Vibrio* organisms from the larval cultural medium, the earliest and highest bacterial concentrations were associated with bottom deposits, and such concentrations were retained in the bottom deposits for the longest time. Little difference was noted in *Vibrio* concentrations between top and bottom conical samples. Single dose exposure produced a short period of self-limiting mortality. Repeated daily exposure produced continuous high mortality.

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#### ESTUARINE INVERTEBRATE BEHAVIOR; AN INDEX OF SUBACUTE TOXICITY OF AQUATIC HERBICIDES

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Proj. No.: NC05397

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 15 JUN 77 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine the chronic, subacute behavioral effects of 2,4-D herbicide on grass shrimp, *Palaemonetes pugio* Holthuis; to explore the feasibility of assessing xenobiotic-induced behavioral dysfunctions of aquatic vertebrates and invertebrates by application of behavioral toxicology techniques.

APPROACH: Dosages of 2,4-D which produce no lethality or locomotor dysfunction for 7 days following a 3 day post-collection period will be determined for adults and larvae. Then, the phototactic behavioral reflexes of dark adapted and dosed shrimp will be tested daily in compartmentalized chambers illuminated by a horizontally directed, intensity controlled monochromatic light stimulus with a duration of 5s at 15s intervals for 5 replications. Shrimp in the compartment nearest the light will be designated photo-positive. Swimming speeds of larvae will be determined in Petri dishes by measuring distances traveled per unit time.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 78/12. The effect on adult females, three larval stages, and eggs of the grass shrimp, *Palaemonetes pugio*, exposed to subacute doses of the herbicide Weedar-64 (registered trademark) (Am. Chem., Inc.), containing 49.3% of the dimethylamine salt of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, was tested. Auxiliary ingredients, mainly water, were

assumed to be non-toxic. Alteration of phototaxis was chosen as the indicator of an effect on adults and larvae; eggs were examined for percent hatch. Photoactive patterns of larvae and adults receiving 100 ppm Weedar-64 daily were recorded for 12 days. Positive phototaxis was reduced by 2,4-D in all three larval stages tested. Sensitivity varied with developmental stage (stage 1 was most sensitive). Stage 1 larval responses were altered more by 2,4-d exposure than by aging, but for stages 3 and 7, larval ages influenced phototaxis more than doses. Adults were unaffected. The doses tested did not affect the hatching of eggs.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 78/12

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#### A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF THE FINE STRUCTURE OF APOSTOME CILIATES

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Proj. No.: NC05338

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Compare the fine structure of three different genera of apostome ciliates that attack the crustacean exoskeleton in three different ways.

APPROACH: These ectoparasites have taken the first steps toward endoparasitism, and their visible cytological characteristics during their attack and feeding on the exoskeleton may help to explain how endoparasitism has arisen in this order. The fine structure will be examined and described for: The unique cyst surrounding *Terebrosira chattoni*, the parasite itself both before and during the invasion of the exoskeleton of a shrimp and the changes in the cyst from the surface through the strata of exoskeleton to the endocuticle, the attachment of the apostome *Conidophrys* to the cuticular hairs of the shrimp and the complex connections of the ciliates' cytostome to the exoskeleton of the hair, and the elaborate feeding apparatus of *Arcophrys rooor* and the attack on the exoskeleton of the shrimp which appears to involve intracellular pumping.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Despite the visible differences between *Conidophrys* and the other genera of apostome ciliates, Jankowski's studies of the infraciliature of the pilisuctorian tomite convinced him that *Conidophrys* belonged with the Apostomatida rather than the Trichostomatida. Electron microscopy confirms Jankowski's view of the affinities of *Conidophrys*, but electron microscopy also reveals the unique fine structure of the trophont and the cytostome. Like other apostome tomites, the tomite of *Conidophrys* possesses a rosette, kinetodesmata made up of stacks of individual kinetodesmal fibrils, canaliculi extending from the ventral surface into the interior and surrounded by dense inclusion bodies, and a kinetid with component fibrils arranged as in other apostome genera. However, electron microscopy of the trophont indicates that its fine structure is unlike that of trophonts of other apostome genera. The very young trophont is without an infraciliature and continuously secretes a cyst wall about itself that grows with the organism. The trophont's only attachment to its host is the intimate connection between the cytostome and a hair of the crustacean. The cytostome is formed of delicate tubules that pass through disorganized cyst and cuticular materials to the lumen of the hair. The tubules are continuous with pores or diverticula that pass into the trophont's cytoplasm. Ingestion is by micropinocytosis. There are no obvious stored food vacuoles.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.



003.077 CRIS0072394  
BURASIAN WATERMILFOIL IN CURRITUCK SOUND: ITS CONTROL  
AND POTENTIAL USE

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Proj. No.: NC05379 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 77 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Ctain fishery relationships to Eurasian  
Watermilfoil. Evaluate "edge effect" of Eurasian  
Watermilfoil control on recreation and commercial  
fishing..

APPROACH: This is a portion of an overall project  
with this title. In this portion, age, growth,  
feeding habits, and distribution of recreational  
fishes will be determined using standard fishery  
methods. Sampling will entail the use of various  
types of nets, seines, and rotenone. Samples will be  
taken at least quarterly and will be designed to  
detect differences which can be attributed to the  
presence or absence of watermilfoil. Standard water  
chemistry data will be taken at least quarterly and  
will be designed to detect differences which can be  
attributed to the presence or absence of  
watermilfoil.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 78/12. The effects of  
water-milfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*) infestation on  
fish populations in Currituck Sound were studied.  
Rotenone samples of three coves before (1959-65) and  
after (1977) infestation indicated that both weight  
and number of fish per hectare increased after  
infestation, but that the average weight per  
individual decreased from 0.0250 to 0.008 kg. The  
population structure changed, with ictalurids and  
yellow perch having the greatest increases in numbers  
and largemouth bass and white perch the greatest  
decreases. Ictalurids and centrarchids (other than  
bass) exhibited the greatest increases in weight per  
hectare, while largemouth bass and "other" fish  
showed the greatest decreases. Numbers of largemouth  
bass were not significantly different between pre-and  
post water-milfoil samples. A comparison of areas  
dense in milfoil with an area of Potamogeton  
suggested that no adverse effects on the fish  
populations could be attributed to milfoil.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 78/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.078 CRIS0068204  
HELMINTH PARASITES OF VERTEBRATES IN NORTH CAROLINA

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Proj. No.: NC03517 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 75 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Study the incidence and host parasite  
relationships of certain fish in estuaries and ponds  
of N. C. Augment our knowledge of the effect of  
environmental factors such as higher temperatures on  
incidence of parasites.

APPROACH: Fish will be collected in part in  
cooperation with other investigations of estuaries  
and ponds. After preliminary analyses for abundance  
and ecological interest certain parasites will be  
studied intensively by collection of their hosts.  
Analysis of incidence and pathological evidence will  
be used to evaluate the significance of the parasite  
to the host.

PROGRESS: 75/07 TO 78/12. Information has been  
published on the incidence and seasonal distribution  
of caryophyllaeid tapeworms in North Carolina  
freshwater fishes. Studies on unisexual and bisexual  
infections of *Schistosoma mansoni* have shown striking  
differences in the integument of the isolated female  
in unisexual infections as revealed by the scanning  
electron microscope. Maternal transmission of  
*Pharyngostomoides procyonis*, a trematode parasite of  
raccoons, has been documented and studies continue on  
the entire life cycle. The prevalence of dog  
heartworms in Wake, Durham, and Orange Counties, NC  
was studied in both privately-owned free-ranging

dogs. Of 121 dogs examined, 37.7% were infected.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/07 TO 78/12

GRIMES, L.W. and MILLER, G.C. 1975. Caryophyllaeid  
cestodes in the creek chubsucker, *Erimyzon*  
*oblongus* (Mitchill) in North Carolina. J.  
Parasit. 61:973-974.

GRIMES, L.W. and MILLER, G.C. 1976. Seasonal  
periodicity of three species of caryophyllaeid  
cestodes in the creek chubsucker, *Erimyzon*  
*oblongus* (Mitchill) in North Carolina. J.  
Parasit. 62:434-441.

EVANS, T. Unisexual and bisexual infections of  
*Schistosoma mansoni*.

MARSHALL, M. Digenetic trematodes of Ecuadorian  
bats.

ROWLEY, B. The prevalence of heartworms in  
privately owned and free-ranging dogs in Wake,  
Durham, and Orange Counties, NC. M.S. Thesis.

003.079 CRIS0076647  
STUDY OF PATHOLOGY OF FISHES FROM LAKE HYCO, NORTH  
CAROLINA

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Proj. No.: NC05419 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 31 JUL 78 To 31 DEC 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine species, incidence,  
distribution, and seasonal effects of fish pathology  
in Lake Hyco and determine if there are any seasonal  
effects on the fish diseases if present, evaluate the  
role of pathogens in the overall fish population of  
the lake, and recommended possible control methods if  
detrimental fish pathology is found.

APPROACH: Bass, bluegill, crappie, catfish, and other  
fishes of interest will be collected at previously  
established monitoring stations and will be examined  
for diseases. All pathogens will be identified when  
possible with special attention given to damaging  
forms. Species to be examined will be collected at  
each of four transects on a bi-weekly basis to  
determine if any diseases in the fish are affected by  
seasonal changes. Attempts will be made to keep some  
fish alive in the lab to see if heavy infections, if  
present, affect their behavior. The study will follow  
the customary guidelines of collection, preservation  
and identification.

PROGRESS: 78/06 TO 79/12. Four hundred and twenty  
three fishes of the families Centrarchidae, Percidae,  
Ictaluridae, and Clupeidae from Lake Hyco, NC were  
examined for pathology and parasitism. Thirty-one  
species of parasites were recovered including: 16  
species of monogenetic and three species of digenetic  
trematodes; four species of cestodes; three species  
of nematodes; one species acanthocephalan; and four  
species of parasitic copepods. New host and locality  
records were noted for some of the parasites and host  
location within the lake was shown to affect the  
prevalence of some species and intensity of others.  
Host sex was shown to affect the prevalence of one  
monogenean, and the mean intensities of a larval  
trematode and larval cestode in the bluegill. The  
behavioral differences between the sexes during the  
reproductive season probably influences the  
recruitment of parasites. The digenetic  
*Posthodiplostomum minimum* from the bluegill; the  
cestode plerocercoids of *Proteocephalus* sp.; and the  
nematodes, *Spinitectus* spp. were studied for seasonal  
distribution. Neither the incidence nor intensity of  
these parasites showed any significant seasonality.  
The green sunfish and the channel catfish were  
also examined for periodicity of parasitism. Neither  
these hosts showed seasonality in Hyco Lake. No  
definitive pathogenicity was noted in any of the host  
species as a result of parasitism.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/06 TO 79/12

DAY, S.P. 1978. Parasites of some fishes from Hyco  
Lake, North Carolina. M.S. Thesis.

WHITENER, D.W. 1979. The seasonal distribution of  
parasites of somefishes from Hyco Lake, North  
Carolina. M.S. Thesis.

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# SUSCEPTIBILITY TO I. MULTIFILIS OF CHANNEL CATFISH EXPOSED TO SUBLETHAL CONCENTRATIONS OF COPPER SO

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CALIFORNIA. 74074.

Proj. No.: OEL01754

Project Type: GRANT

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 04 JUN 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: A. Determine the infective dose of I. multifiliis necessary to obtain reproduction. Determine the effect of exposure to sublethal concentrations of copper sulfate on susceptibility of channel catfish fingerlings to I. multifiliis infections produced in Objective A.

APPROACH: Ichthyophthirius will be maintained in the laboratory and experimental infections produced in channel catfish. Catfish fingerlings will be exposed to various concentrations of dissolved copper. Fish will then be exposed to the infective dose of I. m. previously established and the variations in susceptibility to the parasite will be recorded and analyzed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Several field isolations of Ichthyophthirius multifiliis have been made and some of these have been successfully passaged in channel catfish in the laboratory. We still have difficulty in maintaining any strain for more than 3 passages and our objective of standardizing exposure levels is still unrealized. Progress has been made toward establishing the LC 50 of Cu<sup>++</sup> for channel catfish. The influence of this toxicant on susceptibility to I. multifiliis is under investigation.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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# INFECTIOUS DISEASES OF SALMONID FISHES

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Proj. No.: CEE00815

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JAN 66 To 02 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Complete the development of the IBN attenuated water borne viral vaccine; complete the work directed toward the detection and prevention of infectious pancreatic necrosis virus in salmonids; investigate the serological and immunological properties of the causative agent of bacterial kidney disease in salmonid fish; continue the diagnosis and study the epizootiology of fish diseases emphasizing the viruses.

APPROACH: Attenuation of the IBN virus vaccine strain is not complete. It is our intention to continue on with serial passage until maximum attenuation has occurred without detectable loss in antigenicity. The distribution of IPN virus on Oregon is now reasonably well understood. The remainder of the effort in this study will emphasize serological typing or grouping of these viruses, by cross neutralization and plaque reduction. We will determine the feasibility of developing either a bacterin or vaccine for the causative agent of bacterial kidney disease. This will be done by first examining isolates for serological differences. Secondly, determine if immunity to this agent is humoral, cellular or both. Finally, examine the antigen(s) of this organism which play a role in immunity. Diagnosis and epizootiology of infectious diseases of fish has been under continuous investigation by this research group since its inception and shall be continued.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. It has been shown that two different antibody populations exist in the serum of hyperimmune rainbow trout. These are a high molecular weight immunoglobulin (HMW Ig) and a low molecular weight immunoglobulin (LMW Ig). The HMW Ig is a tetramer with a sedimentation coefficient of approximately 14S and a molecular weight of 620,000 daltons. The LMW Ig has a sedimentation coefficient of 10S and a molecular weight of 490,000. The amino acid

composition of the two are different as are their isoelectric points. Renibacterium salmoninarum has been accepted as the nomenclature for the etiologic agent of bacterial kidney disease. Work concerning the physiology, serology and pathogenicity of this organism is continuing. Selected isolates of lactobacillus sp. which have been isolated from fish are being characterized. At present all these isolates appear to be closely related biochemically, but are different from other species of Lactobacillus and Lysipellothrix. Cell wall and genetic composition of the isolates are being determined. A comparison of the factors responsible for the persistence of IPNV in three established cell lines from trout and salmon has been made. Viral persistence in all three cell lines is mediated by the production of defective interfering virus. Depending on the host cell species, additional factors such as interferon and virus resistant cell types may also contribute to the maintenance of viral persistence in vitro.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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SANDERS, J.E. and FRYER, J.L. 1980. Renibacterium salmoninarum Gen. Nov., sp. Nov., the Causative Agent of Bacterial Kidney Disease in Salmonid Fishes. Internat. J. of Systemat

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# DIAGNOSIS OF FISH DISEASES

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Proj. No.: CEE00231

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 70 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: The purpose of this project is to provide diagnosis and treatment of infectious diseases of fish and inspection and certification of fish and fish eggs for interstate transport and import from and export to foreign countries.

APPROACH: See item No. 24.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Service Project - no report required.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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# DETECTION OF FISCINE ERYTHROCYTIC NECROSIS VIRUS IN OREGON FISHES

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CORVALLIS, OREGON. 97331.

Proj. No.: CEE00051

Project Type: ANIMAL

HEALTH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 27 MAR 79 To 26 MAR 82

OBJECTIVES: Attempt to establish the distribution of PENV within the State of Oregon. The geographical distribution will be determined, and the range of commercially important species of fish which become infected will be ascertained. The method of transmission will be studied to determine if the virus is passed vertically and/or horizontally. If the agent is transmitted horizontally, effort will be made to identify the reservoir(s) of infection. Studies concerning transmission will also include experiments to show whether selected important species of fish not found to be naturally infected are, in fact, susceptible to this virus. The development of more accurate and sensitive techniques for the detection of PENV and the exploration of methods for the artificial propagation of the virus will be examined.



**APPROACH:** Will use existing methods for detection of PENV, which includes examination of blood smears by light microscopy, and new techniques may be developed during this project. Confirmation of the presence of the virus requires electron microscopic observation of the virions in blood samples. Detection of the disease state will also be accomplished by histopathological examination of tissues from fish. Preliminary experiments will concentrate on vertical transmission by examination of ovarian fluid and eggs from spawning adults.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. A survey was undertaken to determine the incidence of viral erythrocytic necrosis (VEN) among hatchery reared salmonids in the state of Oregon. Thirty-five different stocks of fish were examined. Included were steelhead trout (*Salmo gairdneri*), coho (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*), chum (*O. keta*), chinook (*O. tshawytscha*), and kokanee (*O. nerka*) salmon. Inclusion bodies typical of VEN were found in the red blood cells of fish from 9 of the 35 stocks examined. Chum salmon were most heavily infected. Inclusion bodies were also detected in blood from coho and spring chinook salmon and steelhead trout. This is the first report of natural infections of these three species. Progeny of selected populations of VEN infected adults were examined and cytoplasmic inclusions were found in erythrocytes of chum and coho juveniles. This observation indicates that vertical transmission may be one method by which the virus is disseminated. Preliminary data indicates that this virus may be responsible for mortality in juvenile salmonid fish. Viral erythrocytic necrosis was also detected in a population of Pacific herring (*Clupea harengus*) which were being held by commercial bait retailers.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.084 CRIS0076338  
**MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT OF RIVER WATER CONTAMINATION**

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Proj. No.: ORE00402 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 APR 78 To 31 DEC 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Since 1973, there has been at least one major viral epizootic in Oregon fish hatcheries each year. This research proposal is concerned with the microbiological quality of the water released into the Oregon watershed after a viral epizootic and the potential impact of releasing this virus-containing water on the wildlife fed by this water.

**APPROACH:** Determine the rate of virus survival in the field after an epizootic using the following methods: Hatchery effluent sampling and virus concentration by membrane filtration. Assay for virus infectivity in tissue culture. Develop more sensitive assays for infectious virus using known chemical enhancers of viral infectivity. Determine whether IHNV and IPNV can infect animals other than Salmonid fishes and produce a disease state. Determine whether fish viruses may interact with other viruses to yield an attenuated viral strain or a strain which is now more infectious for other animals.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. This project is concerned with the microbiological quality of the water released into the Oregon watershed from fish hatcheries during a viral epizootic and the impact of releasing this virus-containing water on the wildlife fed by this water. In the grant period 10-1-79 to 9-30-80 we made the following progress: We have extended our observations that infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus of salmonid fish can also grow in insect cells. The virus produces no change in the insect cell but large quantities of virus are released by the infected cell line. Thus, a possible insect reservoir for the virus may exist. We have also found that the virus that is produced by the insect cell line is altered in three of the five virion proteins. We are currently determining if the alteration in viral protein is due to a difference in the way the insect cell processes the viral protein

or in the way the insect host selects for the replicating viral strain. The sensitivity of the assay for virus detection in tissue samples from diseased fish is dependent upon the cell line used in the assay. (See paper attached, submitted to J. Fish. Res. Bd. Can., 1980.) We have determined that UV-irradiation of water can be used to reduce the titer of virus in that water by 1,000 fold.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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LEONG, J. and FRYER, J.L. 1980. Microbiological Assessment of River Water Contamination by Fish Hatchery Effluent. Office of Water Research and Technology Publication. WRL 66, 43 pp.

003.085 CRIS007566  
**DEVELOPMENT OF A SUBUNIT VACCINE TO THE SALMONID VIRUS, IHNV, BY MOLECULAR CLONING**

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Proj. No.: ORE00094 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 04 JUN 79 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** The proposed research is aimed at developing an effective subunit viral vaccine for Infectious Hematopoietic Necrosis Virus (IHNV). The gene sequence for the viral protein that induces a protective immune response in fish will be cloned by recombinant DNA technology. A practical and inexpensive method for producing large quantities of pure viral antigen will be developed.

**APPROACH:** The IHNV viral antigen that induces neutralizing antibody will be prepared as a vaccine. Since the preparation of a viral subunit vaccine from purified virus grown in a tissue culture system is costly, an inexpensive method for producing large quantities of pure viral antigen will be developed. The viral gene coding for the specific neutralizing viral antigen will be isolated and cloned in bacteria by recombinant DNA technology. A recombinant plasmid containing the desired viral gene in a mode expressible in bacteria will be selected and used to synthesize pure viral antigen in bacteria.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The proposed research is aimed at developing an effective subunit viral vaccine for infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus (IHNV). The specific aims for funding year 1980 were the isolation of the IHNV viral antigen that induces neutralizing antibody in fish, characterization of this viral antigen, and comparison of viral antigens in different strains of IHNV. We have made the following progress: The glycoprotein virion component of IHNV (Round Butte) has been purified and characterized by SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis. The major glycoprotein component has an apparent molecular weight of 68,000. In addition, two bands running at 62,000 and 56,000 were also observed. These are apparently virion glycoprotein with fewer carbohydrate groups attached to the virion polypeptide. The glycoprotein component does vary slightly between strains of IHNV isolated from California, Alaska, Washington, and Oregon. Growth of IHNV in different piscine cell lines does lead to small differences in the glycoprotein migration pattern by SDS-gel electrophoresis.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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**HISTOPATHOLOGIC AND HISTOCHEMICAL INDICES OF  
SUBLETHAL PESTICIDE TOXICATION IN FISH**

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Proj. No.: PEN02211 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop Histochemical bioassay methods of sublethal pesticide toxication in fish; investigate biochemical and physiological correlates of sublethal pesticide toxication in fish in relation to course of pathogenesis, survival potential and toxicant resistance.

**APPROACH:** Fish will be exposed to sublethal concentration of four pesticides. Atrazine, Carbaryl, 2,4-D and Parathion. Acid and formalin exposure will serve as "stress toxicant" reference standards. Tissues from major organ systems will be analyzed using differential and histochemical staining procedures. Cytometric and analytical cytophotometric indices will be used as text parameters in evaluating the utility and sensitivity of histochemical methods for detecting sublethal pesticide toxication. Supplemental biochemical and physiological studies will also be undertaken to validate histochemical assays of pesticides and elucidate their mode of action.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Laboratory tests were conducted to investigate histopathologic and histochemical changes in various tissues of brook trout ('Salvelinus fontinalis') exposed to sub-lethal dosages of the pesticides: atrazine, carbaryl, parathion and 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid. Analytical histochemical methods were employed to provide measures of regulatory aspects of metabolism as well as end products of synthesis. Among the important contributions of the study was the demonstration that quantification of nucleic acid responses in specific brain, liver, kidney and endocrine tissue compartments permits the detection of incipient stages of toxication and provides information on the pharmacological basis of toxicant induced pathogenesis. For example, it was found that with carbaryl toxication neuronal RNA levels were evaluated in the optic tectum and depressed in cerebellar Purkinje cells. With parathion toxication RNA was elevated in both cerebrocortical and cerebellar compartments. Thus, the higher toxicity of parathion stems from a generalized increase in excitability of brain neurons, whereas carbaryl appears to be more site-specific with respect to toxin-mediated impairment of neuronal functioning.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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**DETECTION TRANSMISSION AND PATHOGENESIS OF DISEASE  
ORGANISMS IN AQUACULTURE SPECIES**

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Proj. No.: R10A413 Project Type: ANIMAL  
HEALTH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 JAN 79 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Improve methods to detect and diagnose pathogenic microorganisms and parasites of fishes and selected native species of mollusca, and establish base line data on the role of feral fishes in the spread of diseases to cultured salmonids and other fishes.

**APPROACH:** Methods of diagnosis employed in human medicine, such as ELISA test, fluorescent antibody technique, lymphocyte transformation and counter-electrophoresis will be explored and adopted to the field of fish diseases. Surveillance of pathogenic agents among feral marine fishes by means of isolation and serological methods will be carried out. Also the pathogenesis and pathogenicity in salmonid fishes of microorganisms isolated from feral fishes will be determined.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies on the pathogenesis of gram negative bacterial infection in mammals have shown a generalized intravascular coagulation precipitated by bacterial endotoxin. In fish, changes characteristic of endotoxemia are not well studied. It is suspected that endotoxin could play a similar role in fish as in mammals. Preliminary experiments have been completed with goldfish and brook trout to test this hypothesis that endotoxin by itself is pathogenic in fish. The endotoxin from *Salmonella typhimurium* caused extensive necrotic lesions in the kidneys of goldfish. Further, these lesions were associated with fibrin microthrombi, a characteristic result of endotoxin induced disseminated intravascular coagulation. Injection of *Yersinia ruckeri* endotoxin killed goldfish within three days and caused necrosis in the kidney as a result of intravascular coagulation. The fish also displayed a shock like condition analogous to endotoxin shock seen in mammals. Injection of *Yersinia ruckeri* and *Pseudomonas fluorescens* endotoxin also resulted in the death of brook trout. The total blood cell count, differential blood count, prothrombin time, fibrinogen concentration, serum complement concentration and histopathology will be carried out in fish with endotoxemia and compared with normal fish. The etiology of Hematopoietic neoplasia in soft-shelled clams, *Mya arenaria* has been studied. The causative agent appears to be a virus. Further work in transmission is being carried out.

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**DIAGNOSIS AND PATHOGENESIS OF DISEASES AND PARASITES  
IN MAJOR MOLLUSCAN AQUACULTURE SPECIES**

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Proj. No.: R100414 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 20 APR 79 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Establish the natural of the causative agents of naturally occurring diseases of the: American oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*), hard clam or quahog (*Mercenaria mercenaria*), soft-shell clam (*Mya arenaria*), and bay scallop (*Argopecten irradians*) in Rhode Island waters. Evaluate the interrelationship of environment and infectious agents in the etiology of diseases of these species. Develop methods of diagnosis & prevention, & thereby control & possibly eradicate specific diseases in these species.

**APPROACH:** Specimens representing natural populations of the candidate species will be obtained seasonally from selected areas. Samples area selection criteria will consist of water & bottom pollution, shellfish population (kind, density, & age) & repeatability for sampling. New diagnostic techniques for aquatic diseases will be tested.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Tissue samples of *Argopecten irradians*, *Crassostrea virginica*, *Mercenaria mercenaria*, and *Mya arenaria* were examined for indications of the presence or absence of diseases and/or parasites. Shellfish samples from four natural populations were obtained in the Summer and Fall of 1979 and in Winter and Spring of 1980. Harvest sites were identified earlier; 75 specimens



(when possible) were harvested at each site. Conclusions: 1) *Mya arenaria* harbor a trematopoleitic neoplasm. Culture stocks should originate elsewhere. 2) *Aequipecten irradians* population is severely parasitized by Trematodes, rickettsia-like organisms, and coccidians. 3) *Crassostrea virginica* was not heavily parasitized and the lack of two major diseases, "Dermo" and "MSX" would make this population a likely source for aquaculture. 4) Amorphous basophilic inclusions (ABI's) were found in *Mercenaria mercenaria* but with this exception this species was the least parasitized of the four studied. Cooperators in the Division of Fish and Wildlife, R.I. Department of Environmental Management played vital roles in identifying sites in R.I. estuaries from which culturable species of shellfish could be repeatedly sampled.

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ICBTHYOPATHOLOGY

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Proj. No.: RI00406 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 70 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Development of a Histopathology Laboratory offering diagnostic services to aquaculture projects. Use of laboratory facilities to survey and study both naturally occurring and laboratory induced diseases of fish. Collection of normal and abnormal tissue sections from marine & fresh water fish to serve as source material for teaching and future research projects.

APPROACH: Collection of normal and diseased fish from private, state, federal and University aquaculture projects and from natural environments. Clinical, pathological, gross and histopathological examination of all specimens. Description and classification of all diseases processes.

PROGRESS: 70/09 TO 80/09. Since its inception in 1970, the Marine Pathology Laboratory (MPL) has assisted annually university, governmental, industrial, and private agencies in the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of fish and other aquatic animal disease problems. This service and other research projects has resulted in over 18,000 aquatic animal accessions as histopathologic paraffin blocks and slides. The collection is filed as to morphologic lesion or etiology in an easily used retrieval system. In addition, there is an extensive collection of gross and histopathologic Kodachromes similarly filed for teaching and research purposes. All necessary equipment for light and electron microscopic tissue preparation, measurement of immune response (electrophoresis, densitometry), isolation of pathogenic organisms and determination of blood chemical parameters has been acquired. The laboratory has the largest collection of normal and diseased fish tissue on the Eastern Seaboard. This collection is made available to visiting scientists.

PUBLICATIONS: 70/09 TO 80/09  
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003.090 CRIS0073855  
IDENTIFICATION OF SUB-OPTIMAL ENVIRONMENTAL PARAMETERS AFFECTING AQUACULTURE

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Proj. No.: RI00412 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 07 NOV 77 To 01 OCT 81

OBJECTIVES: Mount a multidisciplinary approach to the elucidation of sub-optimal environmental parameters responsible for inefficient growth, poor reproduction and increased disease incidence in aquaculture production system. Identification and clarification of these critical parameters will be followed by

appropriate investigation of remedial measures.

APPROACH: Initial effort will be restrictive and designed to develop tests capable of indicating early stress in the fish, develop tests capable of measuring early suppression of piscine immune response, and investigate the actual effect of altered water and nutritional factors thought to be protective or advantageous to fish in closed systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The cellular and humoral components of the fishes immune system are well developed and reflect environmental alterations. Further, they are probable sensitive indicators of sub-optimal parameters affecting fish culture. To this end, during 1980, we expanded our testing battery by developing the methodology and capabilities to measure the following immune indicators of stress and increased susceptibility in finfish: Cellulose electrophoresis, Gel electrophoresis, Agglutination, Precipitation, Serumlysozymes, Hemolytic plaque, MIF, Macrophage Phagocytic index, Serum Fe and Fe binding capacity, Immuno florescence, Immuno electrophoresis.

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003.091\* CRIS0070455  
ANALYSIS OF PREDATION OF *MERCENARIA MERCENARIA* BY DECAPOD CRUSTACEANS

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Proj. No.: SC00205 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the predators (i.e. decapod crustaceans) of seed clams; determine the important factors influencing predation; investigate alternate methods for controlling predation; and evaluate these methods in pilot culturing systems.

APPROACH: Collecting potential predators and evaluate stomach contents; examining rates of predation by principal predators under controlled laboratory conditions when variables such as size of prey and predators are altered, water temperature is varied and different substrate composites are used; and finally, to test prospective methods of reducing predation in field conditions.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/09. *Mercenaria mercenaria* maintained in protected trays provided estimates of annual mortality rates for clams 3-5 and 1-5.5 years of age. Clams 3-5 years old averaged 51.12 mm SL (range, 31.6-72.2 mm) at planting and 58.53 mm SL (38.0-74.7 mm) two years later. Clams 1-5.5 years old starting at 24.74 mm SL (11.7-35.3 mm) reached 64.45 mm SL (50.1-78.0 mm) after 4.5 years growth. Annual mortality rates without predation were 1.43% and 1.98% for clams age 3-5 and 1-5.5, respectively.

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CULTURE AND MANAGEMENT OF SELECTED GAME FISHES

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Proj. No.: TEN00521 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop new management techniques and cultural methods for improving yields of game fishes in Tennessee waters by: Evaluating the feasibility of using selected non-native (exotic) species and/or hybrid fishes, and improved fish habitat management practices.

APPROACH: Ponds, raceways, and other holding facilities will be constructed to evaluate the potential of such fish as grass carp, mirror or other carps, tilapia, striped bass, hybrid sunfish, hybrid catfish, and other non-native species. Monospecific

culture of selected fishes will be compared to polycultural techniques to determine production (kg/hectare). The use of different stocking rates, fertilization practices, and supplemental feeds will be evaluated as management practices. Culture techniques for hybrid sunfish and other selected species will be determined and their potential for use in pond environments will be assessed. New management techniques for improving yields in game fish populations by habitat manipulation will be assessed. Research problems would include the evaluation of the effects of aquatic vegetation control on fish production; the effects of aquatic pesticides on yield of game fishes in ponds, streams, and reservoirs; the identification and control of fish parasites and diseases in game fishes; and the evaluation of biological agents as biofilters of waste materials in aquatic systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Data collection for two pond studies were completed and the data are being analyzed. In one study, over 250 Florida largemouth bass have been tagged and released in two different impoundments. All were weighed and measured; scales were removed to determine age composition of the population. In the second study, fingerling striped bass were stocked in two small impoundments to determine survival and growth. To date, 47 young-of-year and yearlings have been collected; indications are that survival is directly related to fingerling size and data of stocking. In a two-year investigation to determine food habits, movements, and general life history of striped bass, approximately 400 fish have been collected. Preliminary analyses indicate young-of-year striped bass utilize zoo plankton, principally midge larvae, as the primary source of food for some time subsequent to stocking. There is evidence of similar food habits for white bass, leading to the assumption of interspecific competition. A study has been initiated to evaluate the effects of fish attractors in Norris Lake.

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#### 003.093 CRIS0070519 ADAPTATION FACTORS AND CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS

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Proj. No.: TEX06225 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 30 APR 77 To 05 APR 81

OBJECTIVES: Investigate environment stress factors on the growth and development of aquatic weeds. Determine biomass production, distribution, and life cycles of aquatic weeds. Determine adaptation characters (morphological and physiological) of aquatic weeds to wet-dry, cold-hot and photoperiodic cycles. Determine effectiveness and mode of action of herbicides and growth regulators for aquatic weed control.

APPROACH: Aerial photographs of lakes Livingston and Conroe will be taken monthly by the Remote Sensing Center to monitor growth and distribution of aquatic weeds. Measurement of temperature, oxygen content, light intensity, nutrient levels will be determined the day after photographs are taken. Perennating organ development effected by environmental stress factors will be monitored quantitatively, and roles of light, temperature, nutrients, herbicides, and growth regulators on development will be investigated under laboratory conditions.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Research has been conducted along 3 avenues this past year. First, the separation and concentration of phenol storing cells (phe) from waterhyacinth leaves and the chromatographic identification of the phenolic acids (pa) within. We believe these cells are responsible, in part, for the

high degree of disease resistances found in waterhyacinth. The second major avenue has been in the use of remote sensing data for mapping the aquatic vegetation in Lake Conroe Reservoir. The base line vegetation map has been made and the vegetation levels will be monitored quarterly over the next two years in an effort to determine the efficiency of the grass carp as a biological control agent. The third line of research has involved the interaction of sugars and dormancy in duckweed. Differences in the levels of the trisaccharide, raffinose were associated with the breaking of dormancy with cold treatments.

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#### 003.094\* CRIS0083473 PRELIMINARY STUDIES ON CRAWFISH AND FRESHWATER SHRIMP DISEASES

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Proj. No.: TEX06531 Project Type: ANIMAL HEALTH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 04 MAR 81 To 03 MAR 82

OBJECTIVES: The objectives are to assess the effects of water hardness on shell calcium content, shell morphology and colonization of chitinoclastic bacteria on *Procambarus* sp. and *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* and characterize the hemocytes of *Procambarus* sp. (crawfish) and correlate types with water hardness.

APPROACH: Percent shell calcium content will be determined from atomic absorption analysis. Shell morphology will be described by scanning electron microscopy and electron X-ray microprobe analysis. Colonization of bacteria will be quantified using standard bacteriologic techniques. Hemocytes will be histologically identified and enumeration studies will be done with a Coulter Counter.

#### 003.095 CRIS0074988 MICROBIAL AND PARASITIC DISEASES OF SHRIMP AND FISH

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Agency ID: CSVM-0500 Period: 01 SEP 77 To 31 AUG 79

OBJECTIVES: The project is part of a coordinated program directed toward commercial development and quality assurance for the shrimp industry in the United States. Identify and determine drug susceptibility of bacteria associated with fish kills and disease problems of cultured shrimp determine uptake, persistence and host response of laboratory shrimp to select pathogenic bacteria and virus.

APPROACH: Cultured shrimp will be examined for pathogenic bacteria, gill parasites and virus. Antibiotics will be studied with regard to stability in water and food, uptake by absorption and by oral routes and tissue half life. Pathogens isolated from shrimp will be subjected to antibiotic susceptibility.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The project was designed to enhance capabilities for controlling health problems of cultured shrimp and fish. One phase of the project was directed toward developing cell culture methods which would be useful in screening for viral agents. A primary cell culture technique, based upon the cultivation of shrimp cardiac tissue was developed and will be used in conjunction with electron microscopic and serologic techniques to screen for viral agents in suspect tissues. Another phase of the project related to studying the immune response of shrimp. Shrimp exposed to *Vibrio anguillarum* developed hemolymph bacteriolysins 24-48 hours after exposure. The bacteriolysin titers persisted for 5 days. As bacteriolysin titer diminished, phagocytic activity increased. The enhanced phagocytic activity following stimulation by the *vibrio* bacteria persisted for at least 4 weeks.

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#### DISEASE MANAGEMENT IN CULTURED CATFISH

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 Proj. No.: TEX06388 Project Type: ANIMAL HEALTH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 MAR 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Identify early warning indicators of environmental stress assess role of environmental deterioration on uptake and persistence of bacteria involved in septicemia, identify factors associated with pathology of bacterial septicemia in cultured catfish.

APPROACH: Catfish will be temperature acclimated and exposed to ammonia at concentrations associated with chronic toxicity. The fish will be necropsied at various time intervals, serum samples analyzed for cortisol and for protein alterations, tissues examined by light and scanning electron microscopy and histochemistry, acclimated fish will be exposed to bacteria and tissues monitored by culturing tissues and fluorescent antibody techniques. and assessment will be made of histopathologic changes in target tissues.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The role of mucus in protecting catfish against *Ichthyophthirius multifiliis* and *columnaris* was studied. Catfish were immunized to killed cysts and immature trophozoites by bath immersion technique. At timed intervals afterwards, mucus was removed from the fish and tested for specific antibody by indirect immunofluorescence techniques. Mucus antibody was detected 4 days after exposure. Specific mucus antibody was detected within 48 hr after antigenic exposure in fish that had been previously immunized. Mucus antibody to *Flexibacter columnaris* could not be demonstrated consistently.

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#### DISEASE MANAGEMENT IN CATFISH AQUACULTURE

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 Proj. No.: TEX06421 Project Type: GRANT  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 04 JUN 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Identify early warning indicators of environmental stress. Identify factors associated with host susceptibility and pathology of bacterial hemorrhagic septicemia in cultured catfish. Develop and evaluate countermeasures for reducing the incidence of bacterial hemorrhage septicemia in cultured catfish.

APPROACH: Fish will be exposed to conditions of temperature and ammonia stress and an effort made to identify early warning indicators of stress by monitoring for alterations in hematologic and blood chemistry parameters and for tissue changes as revealed by light, scanning and transmission electron microscopy. Bacterial isolates will be subjected to antigenic analysis and screened for presence of plasmids in an attempt to identify microbial factors associated with pathogenicity of the agents. Fish will be exposed to agents under various conditions of stress and appropriate histologic and biochemical parameters monitored to identify factors associated with host susceptibility to the bacteria. An effort will be made to demonstrate value of immunization in protecting catfish against bacterial infections.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research activities were primarily oriented toward: (a) defining blood cells associated with host defense mechanisms and (b) developing an improved technique for detecting early stages of infection in the catfish. Ultrastructural studies conducted on the leukocytes revealed the presence of heterophils (neutrophils), small lymphocytes, monocytes and thrombocytes. Eosinophils and basophils were not observed. Glycogen, present in all leukocytes, is most abundant in heterophils and less abundant in monocytes. Heterophils possess oval or elongate granules which often contain a crystalline or striated structure, small tubules which resemble smooth endoplasmic reticulum, and cristae which traverse the long axes of mitochondria. Cytoplasmic granules of the heterophils exhibit peroxidase activity at light and electron microscopic levels. The presence of peroxidase-positive granules in the neutrophil serve as a marker for identification of the cell and indicate antibacterial and phagocytic functions for this cell.

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#### MICROBIAL DISEASES AND IMMUNE RESPONSE OF CATFISH

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Proj. No.: TEX06011      Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 13 DEC 76 To 30 NOV 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Investigate causes of mortality associated with catfish culture in Texas, evaluate the effect of temperature and ammonia concentration on humoral and cellular immunity and susceptibility of catfish to select microbial diseases of catfish. Field test an aeromonas vaccine.

**APPROACH:** Fish and water samples from areas where disease episodes occur will be subjected to laboratory analysis using techniques applicable to diagnosing fish diseases. Fulfill objective 2, circulating antibody components will be monitored using quantitative immunoelectrophoresis and immunocompetent cells monitored by immunocytochemistry techniques. In immune and non-immune fish being maintained at various temperatures and concentrations of ammonia. Serologic and lethal dose-response measurements will be made on experimental fish maintained under those conditions and exposed to infectious agents. Objective 3 will involve preparation and evaluation of vaccine through cooperative efforts with state and other select hatchery facilities.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Catfish possess a well developed immune system, and protective antibodies to a variety of potentially serious pathogens can be elicited. Studies on antibody production and the general nature of immune response reveal that catfish are immunocompetent at 2 weeks of age and that antibodies to a single administration of *Aeromonas hydrophila* bacterin persist for at least 12 weeks. Catfish are susceptible to infection with *Yersinia ruckeri*, the causative agent of enteric redmouth disease of salmonids. Infection of catfish with the agent results in a disease resembling motile aeromonas septicemia. A technique for rapid detection of the agent based upon immunoenzyme microscopy was developed.

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**PATHOLOGY AND PATHOGENESIS OF CATFISH DISEASES**

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Proj. No.: TEX06032      Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 07 FEB 75 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Define the pathogenesis of channel catfish virus disease, collaborate with other workers by making pathological analyses of diseased catfish used in experiments on the effects and nature of bacterial infections (ex: *Aeromonas liquefaciens*) (Department of Veterinary Microbiology) and toxic chemicals or water pollutants (Department of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology), and investigate through pathologic procedures the nature and cause of spontaneous diseases of pond-reared and wild catfish in collaboration with other researchers studying diseases of catfish.

**APPROACH:** Histological, electron-microscopic and immunopathologic techniques will be used to investigate the nature of the lesions, the pattern of their development and their modification in experiments involving manipulation of the age of the fish, environmental temperature and immunological status of the fish. Fish infected experimentally with disease-producing bacteria, toxic chemicals or dying from unknown causes will be examined by selected pathologic techniques to define the nature of the disease produced, such data derived from this work being recorded and used in originating and/or made available for planning and implementing other experiments in catfish diseases.

**PROGRESS:** 78/01 TO 78/12. Immature catfish were fed a diet containing Sb(2)O(5) at a level of 2000 ppm for 56 days to study the uptake and distribution of Sb. Then the fish were fed an Sb free diet for 28 days to measure the rate of elimination of Sb from body fluids and tissues. The following mean concentrations of Sb for certain tissues were as follows for the 56 and 28 day periods, respectively: liver, 80 and 53 ppm; kidney, 3.7 and 3.0 ppm; skeletal muscle, 1.5 and 1.0 ppm; spleen, 1.8 and 2.7 ppm. Packed cell volume of the fish decreased during the ingestion of Sb and the PCV returned to normal values during the elimination phase of the study. There was an increase in the average weight of the spleen of catfish fed the Sb(2)O(5).

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**MODE OF ACTION AND INFLUENCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS ON THE TOXICITY OF SEVERAL AQUATIC HERBICIDES**

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Proj. No.: VA-0612269      Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** The effects of temperature, pH, light, bicarbonate ions and algal cell densities on the performance of chelated cupric ions, diquat, diuron, simazine, and combinations of these aquatic herbicides will be examined. The mode of action of the herbicides at cellular and sub-cellular levels will be studied to facilitate comprehension of aberrations in physiological functions of plants exposed to the compounds.

**APPROACH:** Since these compounds are inhibitors of photosynthesis, photosynthesis and growth of *Chlorella sorokiniana* and electron transport in isolated chloroplasts will be used to determine toxicity. The possibility of chlorophyll degradation by these herbicides and the role of photosensitized reactions in this destruction will be examined. Attempts will be made to determine active and non-active site binding of the herbicide molecules and their influence on lipid peroxidation.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The work on the mode of action of the 1,3,4-thiadiazolyl herbicidal derivatives was completed and a summary of that work was presented in the fifth international congress on photosynthesis during last summer. From that work it was concluded that photosynthesis is the main metabolic process inhibited by these herbicides in plants. R-25788 (N, N-diallyl-2,2-dichloroacetamide) is a chemical used commercially to protect corn (*Zea mays* L.) from injury caused by the thiocarbamate herbicides EPTC and butylate. Our knowledge on the mode of action of the antidote R-25788 is limited. It has been proposed that R-25788 increases the rate of metabolism of these herbicides in corn. Indirect evidence to support this hypothesis was obtained in our studies initiated this past summer in the greenhouse. The herbicide tebuthiuron resembles structurally a group of chemicals known as 1,2,3-benzothiadiazoles, which are strong inhibitors of metabolic enzymes called mixed-function oxidases. Mixed-function oxidases have been implicated in catalyzing the oxidation of the sulfur atom of the thiocarbamate herbicides in corn. Growth responses of



corn seedlings treated with combinations of tubeuthuron and EPTC or Butylate in the presence of the antidote R-25788, were indicative of synergistic interactions of these chemicals. Thus, it appeared that R-25788 may act by increasing the activity of the mixed function oxidase system that sulfoxidizes EPTC and butylate in corn.

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PHYSIOLOGICAL STUDIES OF AQUATIC AND DITCH BANK WEEDS IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

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OBJECTIVES: Define various aspects of the physiology and biochemistry of aquatic and marginal plants and their control to assist in devising new and improved methods for managing such vegetation without undue impact on the environment.

APPROACH: Study the absorption, translocation, and metabolism of reed canarygrass and creeping red fescue to help define and manipulate susceptibility and resistance between the two species, Assay soil and/or plant material qualitatively and quantitatively for allelopathic compounds and isolate and characterize these substances. Determine nutrient requirements of sago pondweed and related species and the relative importance of roots and foliage for absorption.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The molecular fate of 1 4C-fluridone was examined in two hydrosols (extracted from local irrigation canals) and in the water above those soils. During the course of the experiment an average of 10% of the total 1 4C applied to the soils desorbed into the water. Seven months after treatment 86 to 93% of the radioactivity in the water comprised one acidic metabolite (the only fluridone metabolite detected in this study). This compound was purified by solvent fractionation, thin layer chromatography and high performance liquid chromatography and characterized by mass spectrometry. Based on comparison with an authentic standard the metabolite was identified as 1,4-dihydro-1-methyl-4-oxo-5-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-pyridine carboxylic acid. This metabolite was also found tightly bound to both soils and accounted for about 60% of the total 1 4C in each soil after 12 months. The remainder of the 1 4C in the soils was either fluridone (approximately 30%) or an undefined insoluble residue (approximately 10%). The distribution and fate of 2,4-D was examined in greenhouse-grown 'Concord' grape plants. One mature leaf of each plant was treated with 1 µl of 1000 ppm or 500 ppm (1 4C) 2,4-D for periods of 1, 2, or 3 weeks. After 3 weeks approximately 33% of the 1 4C absorbed by the treated leaves had moved into the portion of the shoots above these leaves but basipetal translocation was negligible.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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EFFECTS OF ANTIMYCIN ON STREAM INSECTS

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OBJECTIVES: Determine acute toxicity of antimycin to about 50 common species of stream insects. Determine effects of pH and temperature on rates of mortality caused by antimycin. Determine chronic effects of antimycin on emergence of stoneflies, mayflies, and caddisflies. Study effects of antimycin in a stream treated by Department of Natural Resources personnel to eliminate rough fish.

APPROACH: Initial toxicity experiments will be carried out at concentrations of 1, 10, 100, and 1000 parts per billion (ppb) in 5 liter polyethylene containers and compared to a control. Final replicated tests will be run at twofold dilutions within the range of 0 to 100% mortality. Tests will be conducted at 2°C or 20°C at pH 8.0 or pH 7.0 with mortality recorded over a 5-day period. Effects of treatment of the Rock River will be studied by sampling benthos in treated and untreated sections before and after treatment. Drift samples in treated and untreated sections will be compared.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 78/12. The toxicity of antimycin to 38 species of Wisconsin stream insects was evaluated in static, aerated bioassays utilizing antimycin exposures typical of stream treatments used to kill fish. Several species of Trichoptera, Ephemeroptera and Plecoptera were very sensitive to fish killing concentrations of antiycin (EC-50 less than 50 ppb). Beetles (*Psephenus herricki*, *Optioseervus fastiditus*, *Stenelmis crenata*, *Helichus striatus*), dragonfly nymphs (*Neurocordula molesta*, *Gomphurus vastus*), damselfly nymphs (*Argia apicalis*), fishfly larvae (*Nigronia serricornis*), and snipe fly larvae (*Atherix variegata*) were relatively unaffected by antimycin (EC-50 greater than 1,000 ppb). Early instars of *Tipula* spp. and *Ephemerella* sp. were more sensitive to antimycin than later instars. Exposure to antimycin produced greater mortality at 19 degrees C than at lower temperatures in several species, even though exposure times were reduced at the higher temperature. Post-exposure observations indicated mortality may be delayed more than five days, particularly at reduced temperatures. Large differences in antimycin sensitivity were found for different species belonging to the same family (hydropsychid caddisflies, perlid stoneflies). Emergence of several species of stream insects was reduced or prevented by exposure of the mature larvae or nymphs to sublethal concentrations of antimycin.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 78/12

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BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF WEEDS WITH PATHOGENS

CORDO H A; DELOACH C J; CEARUDATTAN R; BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF WEED LAB, HURLINGHAM, ARGENTINA. Proj. No.: 0420-20263-003 Project Type: INHOUSE Agency ID: ARS Period: 19 MAY 78 To 19 MAY 83

OBJECTIVES: Control the aquatic weed waterhyacinth in the United States by the use of plant pathogens introduced from South America.

APPROACH: In cooperation with the Dept. of Plant Pathology, Univ. of Florida, collect teliospores of the rust *Uredo eichhorniae* from waterhyacinth in the field, search for alternate hosts of this and other rusts from Pontederiaceae, correlate rust density in the field with climatic factors, locate epicenters of *U. eichhorniae*, and determine the cross-infectivity and host range of *U. eichhorniae* and of *Uromyces pontederiae* from Pontederia. Spores of *U. eichhorniae* will be sent to the quarantine facility at the Univ. of Florida for further testing.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Ecological studies continued on the plant pathogenic rust, *Uredo eichhorniae* on waterhyacinth and the *Araujia* mosaic virus on *Araujia* and *Norrenia odorata*. The geographic range and seasonal abundance was measured in

different climatic areas of Argentina.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.104 CRIS0041269  
BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF WEEDS

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HURLINGHAM, ARGENTINA.  
Proj. No.: 0420-20263-002 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 15 JUL 74 To 08 MAR 82

OBJECTIVES: Find, test, and evaluate the natural enemies of weeds of rangelands, row crops, and aquatic environments that can be used to control weeds of importance in the United States.

APPROACH: Locate stands of rangeland, row-crop, and aquatic weeds in South America, and collect the insects and other organisms damaging the plants. Evaluate the impact of these organisms on the plants, and determine their life cycles, ecologies, and host ranges. Obtain stocks of suitable natural enemies free from parasites and pathogens and ship them to the United States as needed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Rangeland weeds: Biological testing began on 3 insects to control broomweed (*Gutierrezia*), an aegeriid moth *Carmenta* sp., a weevil *Melipus mesadozencis*, and a buprestid beetle *Dactylozodes* sp. Testing began on a lepidopterous bark feeding larva for control of whitebrush (*Aloysia gratissima*). Aquatic weeds: Testing was completed on the flea beetle *Disonychia argentinensis* to control terrestrial alligatorweed. A cold-tearthy strain of the alligatorweed flea beetle, *Agasicles hydrophila*, was shipped to the U.S. Insects parasites: Parasites of *Plusia* sp. and the fall armyworm were shipped to the U.S. Dung beetles: Ten promising species of scarab beetles were collected for controlling livestock dung. Plant germplasm: A total of 457 accessions of several species and many races of dallisgrass (*Paspalum* sp.) were shipped to the U.S.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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Observations on the Moth, *Samea multiplicalis*, on Waterlettuce in Argentina. J. Aquatic Plant Manage. 17(1) (1979):42-44.

003.105 CRIS0044705  
ORGANISMS ASSOCIATED WITH AQUATIC WEEDS AND THE BIOLOGICAL CONTROL WATER-HYACINTH IN EGYPT

FAYAD Y B; CENTER I D; MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE,  
CAIRO, EGYPT.  
Proj. No.: 8605-20280-073 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 08 JUL 78 To 07 JUL 83

OBJECTIVES: Identify organisms of potential use for the biological control of waterhyacinth, hydrilla, Eurasian watermilfoil, and other aquatic weeds and introduce two Argentine weevils into Egypt for the biological control of waterhyacinth and evaluate their effectiveness.

APPROACH: Survey the organisms associated with aquatic weeds in Egypt, identify those species which are herbivores or pathogens, determine their apparent degree of specificity based upon the number of hosts from which they are collected in the aquatic community, and evaluate their potential effectiveness in the biological control of their host plant. Release and monitor population development of two species of weevils in an effort to effect control of waterhyacinth at specific sites in Egypt, including studies of the biology of the insects and the plants. Determine the biological and physical factors responsible for promoting or preventing a successful biological control program.

PROGRESS: 79/12 TO 80/11. Surveys for natural enemies of waterhyacinth have found no species which would possibly be useful biocontrol agents in the U.S. It has been recommended that this portion of the project

be discontinued and surveys on *M. spicatum* be given higher priority. Host specificity studies in quarantine have verified that *Neochetina eichborniae* and *N. bruchi* are host specific. Field releases have been made, the insects have become established, and studies designed to evaluate the effectiveness of this method of control have begun.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/12 TO 80/11  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.106 CRIS0043028  
BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF EURASIAN MILFOIL AND OTHER AQUATIC WEEDS

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ITALY.  
Proj. No.: 0203-20262-002 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Search out and study the natural enemies of Eurasian milfoil and other aquatic weeds. Emphasis will be put on those weeds of importance in the United States and whose native range includes Europe, North Africa and the Near East. Plant feeding insects will receive major emphasis.

APPROACH: Locate stands of aquatic weeds in Europe and other areas to which they are indigenous, and survey and collect insects and other organisms on the plants. Evaluate the impact of these organisms on the plants; study their biologies; and determine their host ranges. Obtain stocks of suitable natural enemies free from parasites and pathogens and ship them to the United States as needed.

PROGRESS: 75/01 TO 78/03. A final report on an East African survey for hydrilla and its biotic enemies was submitted by the contractor, Mr. Bob Pemberton. A copy of the report may be obtained from the performing Organization. Work was conducted on the host specificity of *Parapoynx stictotata*, a potential biocontrol agent for eurasian watermilfoil, *Myriophyllum spicatum*. The insect does not have the host specificity required to utilize it in a biocontrol program. A survey of the extent of *M. spicatum* and *Hydrilla* in Europe has been conducted.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/01 TO 78/03  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.107 CRIS0043340  
CONTROL AND ERADICATION OF AQUATIC WEEDS IN LAKES AND IMPOUNDED WATERS

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PAKISTAN, KARACHI, PAKISTAN.  
Proj. No.: 8002-20280-054 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 03 JAN 77 To 02 JAN 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop biological, chemical, and integrated methods for control of aquatic weeds that infest and seriously reduce the productivity of a high percentage of the fish-producing waters of Pakistan.

APPROACH: Survey fishing waters for weeds and to select testing sites. Import phytophagous fish and stock test sites. Determine optimum stocking rates, times and fish size. Observe feeding preferences, rates of weed control, and effects on indigenous fish. Investigate herbicides for weed control, alone and in a program integrated with fish. Observe, describe, and quantitate both desirable and adverse effects of herbicides and fish on the aquatic environment. Determine benefits of weed control in terms of production of indigenous fish and imported phytophagous species.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Two applications of paraquat at 5.5 lb/A each (total 11 lb/A) during a single growing season controlled *Typha* about 65% and *Phragmites* about 90%. Regeneration of both genera was faster on a shallow water site where the water did not fluctuate than on a site where the water level was lowered about 3 feet before application and



raised to the normal level one month after treatment.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS

CRIS0043122

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Proj. No.: 8002-20280-072

Project Type: GRANT

Agency ID: AFS

Period: 13 APR 76 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine if the phytotoxin produced by the waterhyacinth blight organism *Alternaria eichhorniae* can be used in a program to control water-hyacinth.

APPROACH: Extract, characterize, and establish the chemical structure of the phytotoxin obtained from the pathogen *Alternaria eichhorniae*. Design a control program for waterhyacinth using the phytotoxin derived from *A. eichhorniae*. Determine the effects of the phytotoxin on the aquatic organisms, with particular concern for growth and reproduction of fish and other aquatic fauna, and the toxicity of the phytotoxin to other aquatic vegetation.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Although *Alternaria eichhorniae* was not found growing on water hyacinth in Punjab and Sind Provinces, *A. alternata*, *Fusarium* spp., *Aspergillus* spp., *Cephalosporium* spp., and *Curvularia* spp. were found. A culture of lyophilized *A. eichhorniae* (collected at Bangalore, India) was obtained from the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland. Like the culture from the International Mycological Institute in England, the new culture did not sporulate when placed on PDA slants or in PD broth. Species of aquatic plants collected in Punjab and Sind Provinces included *Ammania auriculata* Willd., *Ammania baccifera* Linn., *Ammania multiflora* Roxb., *Bramia monnieri* (L.) Penn., *Centella asiatica* (L.) Urban, *Gonostegia pentandra* (Roxb.) Miq., *Mentha longifolia* (L.) Buds., *Phyla nodiflora* (Linn.) Greene, *Sparganium ramosum* Huds. and *Veronica anagallis aquatica* Linn.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

003.109

BIOLOGICAL CONTROL AGENTS OF HYDRILLA VERTICILLATA

CRIS0045755

CENTER T D; INST OF BIOLOGICAL CONTROL; COMMONWEALTH AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH BOARD, SLUGG, UNITED KINGDOM.

Proj. No.: 7004-20280-006-A

Project Type:

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.

Agency ID: AFS

Period: 14 SEP 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Obtain information on biological agents, primarily insects, found to have a suppressing effect on *Hydrilla verticillata* in its native habitat in Africa and to assess the suitability and effectiveness of candidate agents for use in the U.S.

APPROACH: Conduct surveys in East Africa for potential biological control agents. Conduct field and laboratory experiments to assess the host specificity of candidate organisms. Obtain sufficient taxonomic and biological information on the organisms to support more intensive investigation in the U.S. Introduce living organisms into quarantine facilities in the U.S. for extended tests of host specificity and effectiveness.

PROGRESS: 79/12 TO 80/12. A cooperative agreement with the Commonwealth Institute of Biological Control has been arranged to provide for surveys of potential biological control agents of *hydrilla* (*Hydrilla verticillata*) in East Africa. This work will be carried out from their laboratory in Muguga, Kenya. Because of delays resulting from negotiations with the host country, work has only recently begun and there is not yet any significant progress to report.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/12 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

## 4. Ecology and Environment

004.001

FATE AND EFFECTS OF ATRAZINE IN SALT MARSH ECOSYSTEMS

CRIS0069880

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Proj. No.: ALA-05-0043

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 02 FEB 75 To 01 MAR 75

OBJECTIVES: Determine in model ecosystems of increasing complexity: The amount and form of atrazine residues and metabolites in various components of the systems, effects of atrazine on the biological components. Determine for stable ecosystems in the field the effects of atrazine on the biological components. Compare atrazine effects, residues, and metabolites in the field with those in model ecosystems.

APPROACH: Amounts and kinds of residues and metabolites will be determined for: *Spartina alterniflora* grown in solutions containing atrazine labeled with  $^{14}C$  in the ring and for *Sesuvium reticulata* fed leaves from these plants and for detritus produced from leaves of this plant and in fiddler crabs fed this detritus. Similar studies will be made for each component of an intact model ecosystem including a carnivore. Throughout the studies detailed observations will be made on the effects of atrazine on each of the components of the model ecosystems. Microecosystems will be treated on Sapelo Island, GA and the results will be compared with those from the model ecosystems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. No progress report this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

PLUMLEY, F.G., DAVIS, D.E., MCENERNEY, J.T. and EVEREST, J.W. 1980. Effect of a Photosynthesis Inhibitor, Atrazine, on the Salt Marsh Fiddler Crab, *Uca pugnax* (Smith). *Estuaries* 3:217-223.

004.002

POND FERTILIZATION AND LIMING

CRIS0078980

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Proj. No.: ALA00497

Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 02 APR 79 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine the solubilities of different phosphorus fertilizers in pond waters. Evaluate fluid fertilizers for use in sport fish ponds. Investigate use of low rates of calcium hydroxide for liming ponds which have excessive overflow during winter and spring.

APPROACH: Solubilities of phosphorus compounds will be determined by measuring the loss of phosphorus from samples of these compounds placed on fertilizer platforms in ponds. Compounds will be tested in ponds representing a range of water quality. Effects of different ratios and rates of application of fluid fertilizer on bluegill production will be evaluated in ponds. Effects of calcium hydroxide applications on total hardness and total alkalinity will be tested in ponds which have excessive overflow during winter and spring.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Dissolution rates for phosphate fertilizers settling through 1.8m of water at 29 degrees F were: superphosphate, 4.6%; triple superphosphate, 5.1%; monoammonium phosphate, 7.1%; mixed 8-8-8 fertilizer, 11.4%; mixed 20-20-5 fertilizer, 11.9%; diammonium phosphate, 16.8%. Nitrogen was highly soluble (61.7 to 98.8%) from

settling granules of sodium nitrate, calcium nitrate, ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulfate, and two mixed fertilizers, but not (5.1 to 11.7%) from ammonium phosphates. Five pond fertilization programs (44.8 kg/ha per application of 20-20-5 mixed fertilizer, 20.2 kg/ha per application of triple superphosphate, 10.1 kg/ha per application of triple superphosphate, 10.1 kg/ha per application of diammonium phosphate, and 7.3 kg/ha of a liquid fertilizer with a grade of 13-25-0) all resulted in similar sunfish yields. The cost of fertilization may be greatly reduced by using the low triple superphosphate treatment 10.1 kg/ha, diammonium phosphate, or liquid fertilizer.

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#### STREAM AND IMPOUNDMENT ECOLOGY

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Proj. No.: ALA-27-0005 Project Type: STATE  
 Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 75 TO 30 OCT 85

OBJECTIVES: Conduct research on the effects of man's activities on the ecology of streams and impoundments.

APPROACH: Qualitative and quantitative aspects of the ecology of an area in a stream or impoundment affected by man's activities will be compared to those aspects of the ecology of an adjacent or nearby area that is relatively unaffected. In some cases "before-and after" studies will be utilized to determine the effects of man's activities on the ecosystem in question.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/10. Sampling on a periodic basis for water quality and quantitative analyses of phyto-zooplankton was continued through 1980 in river areas within Alabama that were adjacent to or below steam electric generating plants and paper mills. Collection of water quality, phyto-zooplankton and macroinvertebrate information on West Point Lake Ala-Ga was continued through 1980. The studies of correlations between primary productivity and phyto-plankton production, zooplankton production and fish production are being continued. Relationships between macroinvertebrate production and water level fluctuations are also being studied. Dye studies of flow characteristics of released textile effluents in the Tennessee River indicated a rather rapid dilution along a restricted flow pattern in the inner channel. Research is underway to determine levels of heavy metals and chlorinated hydrocarbons in sediment, macroinvertebrates, fishes, reptiles and mammals located in or adjacent to small streams draining municipal, agricultural and forested watersheds. A study was completed on the effects of submersed fan (water) circulators on phytoplankton abundance, community structure and certain water quality variables in commercial catfish ponds.

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CRIS0045926

#### PROTECTION, REHABILITATION, AND ENHANCEMENT OF ANADROMOUS FISH HABITAT IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

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Proj. No.: PNW-1705 Project Type: INBOUSE  
 Agency ID: FS Period: 02 JUL 79 TO 02 JUL 84

OBJECTIVES: Synthesize present knowledge of anadromous salmonids; determine species and habitat requirements; determine structure and distribution of existing populations; train managers, cooperators, and the public; develop or revise fish management guidelines. Develop new techniques and methods to rehabilitate and enhance anadromous fish habitat. Validate and implement management programs to ensure a continuing supply of anadromous fish to meet public needs.

APPROACH: Determine the habitat requirements of anadromous salmonids throughout their range in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska. Determine the effects of land use activities on anadromous fish habitat. Provide methods for the rehabilitation and enhancement of anadromous fish habitat.

PROGRESS: 79/10 TO 80/09. Three years of season-long livestock grazing at a moderate stocking rate did not indicate profound changes in anadromous fish habitat. Preliminary analyses of data indicate that steelhead trout standing crops may be inversely correlated with years of livestock grazing. Field sampling in this 5-year study will terminate in the fall of 1980, and more definitive conclusions will be made after final data analysis. Materials deposited in stream channels by landslides may be harmful or beneficial to fish production depending on the size and stability of deposited material and the species of fish affected. Composition of anadromous trout populations in disturbed areas shifted to a higher proportion of underyearlings. Not only was standing crop of benthic invertebrates reduced in disturbed areas, but size of organisms was also reduced. Studies of organic debris in streams have shown that debris entering streams naturally becomes an important component of the stream ecosystem and aids in bank stability. Logging debris promotes bank instability and accelerates streambed erosion. In conjunction with these studies, new techniques for sampling streams and fish populations have been developed and refined. These include a freeze-branding device for marking juvenile salmonids, a waterlevel device for measuring stream profiles and gradients, and a method for recording cumulative radiant insolation using an integrated solar counter.

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004.005 CRIS0065495  
EFFECTS OF LOGGING ON ARIZONA TROUT AND THEIR HABITAT  
IN THE WHITE MOUNTAINS OF ARIZONA

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Proj. No.: ARZT-170425-68-16 Project Type:  
MCINTIRE-STENNIS  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the effects of logging on  
Arizona Trout and their habitat.

APPROACH: This will be done by comparing population  
dynamics parameters (growth rate, age structure, and  
population density) of the Big Bonito trout  
population before and after logging, comparing insect  
community structure and biomass pre and post logging,  
and comparing stream for changes in bottom  
composition and temperature maximums pre and post  
logging. Also, another stream will be used as a  
further control for natural changes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Data collection was  
completed and detailed analysis for the project  
completion report is ongoing. Evidence continues to  
indicate that logging within the Big Bonito Creek  
Watershed has not significantly altered fine sediment  
levels or fish and benthic invertebrate populations.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.006 CRIS0077988  
THE EFFECTS OF LOGGING: GRAZING ON STREAMS IN THE  
WHITE MOUNTAINS

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Proj. No.: ARZT-173484-12-44 Project Type:  
MCINTIRE-STENNIS  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Assess the effects of logging and grazing  
on stream quality and biota in the white mountain  
area of Arizona.

APPROACH: Collect and analyze physical, chemical and  
biological data from selected field sites including  
logged and grazed areas. A near natural state  
reference stream will act as a basis for comparison.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Three similar study streams  
were selected and sampled during June, September, and  
October, 1980; Paradise Creek of the White River  
drainage, Big Bonito Creek of the Black River  
drainage, and the West Fork of the Little Colorado  
River, all within Apache County, Arizona. The Big  
Bonito watershed has been logged, the Paradise Creek  
watershed supports cattle grazing, and the Little  
Colorado River drains the Mt. Baldy Wilderness Area  
(thus, representing a near-natural state stream).  
Parameters measured in each stream included general  
water chemistry, small particle sediment, and density  
and taxonomic composition of benthic invertebrates,  
invertebrate drift, and fish. Sample analysis is not  
complete, but some generalizations can be made: 1.  
all streams are weakly buffered and slightly  
alkaline; 2. Trichoptera, Diptera, and Ephemeroptera  
predominate in the Benthos; 3. Invertebrate drift  
exhibits a distinctly nocturnal increase and is  
predominated by Trichoptera and Ephemeroptera; 4.  
amino apache, a native trout, is common only in Big  
Bonito Creek; brown-trout (S. trutta) predominate the  
other sites. Sampling will resume in the Spring,  
1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.007 CRIS0045718  
POLYCULTURAL PRODUCTION OF FISH IN FARM PONDS

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Proj. No.: 7002-20380-001-A Project Type:  
COOPERATIVE AGREE.  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 07 SEP 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop management techniques for  
polycultural fish production in farm ponds that are  
adaptable to and will provide maximal fish yields for  
small acreage farmers.

APPROACH: Existing cooperator farm ponds of 2 acres  
or less with controlled stocking of channel catfish,  
largemouth bass, bluegills, buffalo, and fathead  
minnows will be evaluated relevant to costs for  
labor, chemicals, fish for stocking, controlled  
feeding, pond fertilization as based on age of pond,  
water source, disease problems, etc., and total  
production yields. Biotic and abiotic parameters in  
the ponds will be monitored for environmental changes  
and impact. Pond cage studies, coupled with intensive  
feeding, will be made to maximize harvestable catfish  
yields. grass carp, Tenopharyngodon idella, will be  
tested for vegetation control in farm ponds in an  
attempt to reduce the need for chemicals and increase  
farm pond total fish yields.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This farm pond production  
study is on schedule with twelve ponds in South  
Central Arkansas prepared for a 3-5 year population  
development period. Data collection will commence  
during the spring 1981 following the stocking of all  
ponds with channel catfish, buffalo, grass carp,  
bluegill, largemouth bass and fathead minnows.  
Techniques of pond fertilization and fish feeding  
will be employed along with the use of cages in four  
of the ponds. Fish harvest will be recreational and  
commercial methods with production information  
collections based upon three different management  
approaches.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.008\* CRIS0003201  
WEED CONTROL IN RICE PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: ARK00419 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 70 To 28 FEB 75

OBJECTIVES: Develop more effective chemical,  
cultural, mechanical, biological, and combination  
methods of controlling weeds in rice, and in crops  
grown in rotation with rice.

APPROACH: Evaluate and compare new herbicides and  
mixtures with standard ones. Determine the effects of  
weeds and herbicides on yield and quality of rice.  
Study the interactions of various control methods  
with the physiology, ecology, morphology, and anatomy  
of rice, and of annual and perennial weeds.  
Characterize the effects of selected herbicides on  
succeeding crops, fish, and other aquatic animal  
life. Determine the fate of herbicides, applied to  
rice, in the rice crop, soil, and water, and in other  
crops grown in rotation with rice.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Herbicide programs for rice  
controlled weed complexes better than standard  
propanil, molinate or phenoxy. Herbicides that  
combined effectively with propanil for weed control  
and safety to rice included thibencarb, butachlor,  
oxadiazon, pendimethalin, and acifluorfen. Many of  
these new treatments substitute applications of  
propanil or molinate and single applications of 2,4,  
I, -D silvex or 2,4-D. Tank mixtures of propanil +  
MCPA or propanil + acifluorfen controlled weeds  
growing on leaves and were effective substitutes for  
propanil + 2,4,5-T. Cropping-herbicide systems  
controlled red rice; important in this system was  
control of red rice in rotated crops. Effective  
treatments in soybeans were ppi alachlor,  
metolachlor, and tank mixtures of these with  
pendimethalin; ppi profluralin, UEI-S734, RE-28269  
and MON 097; ppe directed paraquat alone, and tank  
mixed with 2,4-DB; ppe directed BAS 9052; and ppe

overdrop mefluidide + bentazon. Effective in grain sorghum were ppi metolachlor, alachlor, propazine, propazine + metolachlor and alachlor. CGA spores controlled nothern jointvetch in rice and soybeans; CGJ controlled winged waterprimrose in rice; both effectively combined in a weed-pest management system. All season competition of dayflower reduced rice yields 15-20%, but competition for up to 80 days had no effect. Midseason applications of glyphosate controlled most weed species growing in rice field flooding and draining canals.

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004.005\* CRIS0045580  
A SURVEY FOR PATHOGEN FOR AQUATIC WEEDS IN CALIFORNIA  
FOR USE IN BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

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Proj. No.: 5090-20282-006-A Project Type:  
COOPERATIVE AGREE.  
Agency ID: AES Period: 23 AUG 79 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Conduct a survey to discover pathogens that have potential for development as biological control agents for several important submersed aquatic weeds.

APPROACH: Collect, identify, and culture pathogenic-type organisms found on elodea, milfoil, hydrilla, pondweeds, coontail, and algae in the Davis area and other selected localities. Determine the characteristics of infection, transmission, virulence. Study promising phytopathogens for purposes of augmentation, release, and other manipulations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Aquatic weeds were sampled at a number of sites in Central and Northern California, usually at 2-4-week intervals during the past growing season and at less frequent intervals during the dormant season. The survey emphasized submersed weeds and algae, but nonsubmersed weeds were also sampled where disease symptoms were apparent. Submersed weeds did not appear to be killed or otherwise generally affected by diseases in the field, but occasionally they had small necrotic or discolored local lesions. Many fungi and a few bacteria were observed and/or isolated from such lesions, and after artificial inoculations in a greenhouse, a few fungi reproduced lesions somewhat like those observed in the field, especially in Eurasian watermilfoil. However, the inoculations have not yet shown that local lesions have a negative impact on weed growth and many of the attempted inoculations failed. Efforts are underway to improve the weed culture and inoculation methods. Some stands of emersed weeds had more apparent symptoms of disease, and several fungi known to be plant pathogens were isolated from apparently diseased specimens of cattail, bullrush and parrots feather.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.010\* CRIS0066346  
OSMOREGULATORY RESPONSES OF DESERT PUPFISH: A STUDY  
MODEL OF PHYSIOLOGICAL ADAPTATION TO ENVIRONMENT

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CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-APH-3225-H Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 SEP 74 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Investigate the physiological mechanisms of adaptation by fishes with emphasis on the maintenance of osmotic and ionic balances.

APPROACH: Two species of desert pupfish, one adapted to extrema and variable conditions of environmental temperature and salinity (*C. maculorius*), the other restricted to fresh waters (*C. radiosus*) will be employed as laboratory models. Initially, mechanistic differences in the abilities of the eggs and embryos of the two species to tolerate environmental extremes will be investigated in detail. Later, developing fry and adults will be studied.

PROGRESS: 74/10 TO 80/12. This project was terminated July 1979. The major results of this project include: Establishment of husbandry techniques and environmental requirements for the maintenance of two populations of desert pupfish (*Cyprinodon macularius* and *C. radiosus*) in a laboratory situation for several generations. *C. macularius* is a particularly suitable experimental animal model for the study of embryogenesis. *C. radiosus* is a difficult species to maintain in the lab because of low reproductive capacity. Comparisons of tolerances to environmental salinity and other environmental variables for the two species (and hybrids) have demonstrated such tolerances (or their lack) is inherent within the specific population as measured by the success and nature of embryogenesis and hatching of viable larvae. Environmental salinity, temperature, specific organic ions (especially sodium and calcium) have important influences on the rates of embryogenesis and the development of body form. There are interactions between these three environmental variables and there are differences between the two species in their responses to such factors. For example, the quantitative requirement for calcium ion is greater at high salinity, at excessively low salinity (near distilled water), at high temperature, and for *C. radiosus* for the several environmental conditions.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/10 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

004.011\* CRIS0078835  
PHYSIOLOGY AND ECOLOGY OF THE ASIATIC CLAM, CORBICULA  
SP., IN THE SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA

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CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, CALIFORNIA. 95616.  
Proj. No.: CA-D\*-APH-3716 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 FEB 79 To 30 OCT 84

OBJECTIVES: Provide detailed physiological and ecological information on the asiatic clam, *Corbicula* sp., as a basis for management or economic exploitation of the species.

APPROACH: Laboratory studies of individual changes of body composition, growth, and metabolism and field studies of population changes and productivity will be used to evaluate the ecology of *Corbicula* in the Sacramento-San Joaquin delta.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Caged populations of freshwater clams (*Corbicula manilensis*) consisting of labeled individuals of known size and estimated tissue composition (based upon tissue analysis of other individuals collected at the same time and location) have been placed in several microenvironments of the San Joaquin Delta. Samples of the caged populations, as well as clams from the same areas, are being collected periodically throughout the year for an evaluation of growth rates and changes of tissue composition (wet and dry weights, tissue calorics, total nitrogen, glycogen concentration). The purpose is to establish baseline



values and potentially useful procedures to allow the use of these clams as bioindicators of the quality of the Delta waters. Tissue composition of lyophilized tissues collected from resident populations during 1978 and 1979 are being analysed to establish equations for the prediction of tissue compositions from simple field measurements

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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CRIS0009144

**BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF MOSQUITOES IN CENTRAL AND NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

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Proj. No.: CA-B\*-BIC-2428

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 09 AUG 66 To 31 JUL 73

**OBJECTIVES:** Comprehensively evaluating the ecologies and efficacies of existing natural control, introducing certain foreign parasitic, predatory, or pathogenic species, measuring consequent performance in succeeding years, augmenting the efficacies of existing or introduced natural enemies by environmental manipulations, and assist in the development of integrated control programs against certain mosquito species by investigation of those biological and environmental control agents or practices that will best lend themselves to this end.

**APPROACH:** One or more aquatic environments will be selected where major mosquito problems exist and where the best opportunities lie for developing a biological control phase of an integrated control program.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. *Bacillus thuringiensis* var. *israelensis* (Bti) seems almost entirely selective for many species of mosquitoes and blackflies. Studies against 59 species of nontarget organisms representing 6 classes, 19 orders, and 32 families of aquatic organisms revealed no observable toxic effects. In 1980 a total of 14 species of nontarget organisms were tested with one chironomid, *C. matusus* and one Simuliid sp. showing susceptibility similar to that of mosquito larvae. Laboratory experiments demonstrated that commercial formulations of Bti reach equilibrium in a column of water within one hour and remain suspended and potent for 5-6 and 1-2 days, respectively. Tests were conducted to determine the efficacy of Bti under different aquatic regimes against mosquito larvae. Surface area and depth were investigated with results indicating depth to be an important variable which may have to be taken into consideration in certain field applications. Further tests revealed mortality rates for a given amount of Bti are affected by the number of larvae under treatment, with the efficacy of Bti decreasing as the population sizes increase. Field trials with Bti (Biochem formulation) against *Anopheles franciscanus* were conducted in two locations in Marin County. Both tests showed mortality rates as high as 100% and with dosage rates as low as 0.5 kg/ha. Other field trials conducted in maturing rice fields in Colusa County, California proved successful in controlling *Anopheles freeborni* and *Culex tarsalis*.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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GARCIA, R., DES ROCHEERS, B. and TOZER, W. 1980. Studies on the Toxicity of *Bacillus thuringiensis* var. *israelensis* Against Organisms Found in Association With Mosquito Larvae. Proc. and Pap. Ann. Conf. Calif. Mosquito and Vector

004.013\*

CRIS0075881

**ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOLOGICAL INFLUENCES ON GENETIC VARIABILITY**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-3669-H

Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 20 JUL 78 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** This project is intended to identify the ecological and environmental correlates of genetic variability in grassland and marine ecosystems. This will help us to identify the role of genetic variation in mediating population response to environmental and ecological conditions. If the results are similar, analysis of two widely different to ecosystems should produce generalizations applicable both to agricultural and natural ecosystems.

**APPROACH:** In both systems we shall routinely measure levels of genetic variation in enzymes using gel electrophoresis; the ecological structure of the community; and relative environmental and trophic stability. With these data we can identify what conditions are most closely associated with high genetic variability. This long-term (several years) study is principally located in the northern California coastal grassland and in the tropical Pacific. The project is currently coordinated with personnel at the University of Hawaii, the University of Washington, and the Departments of Genetics and Agronomy and Range Science at U.C. Davis.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. This program currently consists of two parts. One is the direct measurement of genetic variability in a family of tropical marine gastropods. By and large, little work in research has been undertaken in this past year, although two manuscripts bearing on this work have been completed and submitted within the year. The other part of the program is the ecological assessment of a perennial grass species, *Anthoxanthum odoratum*. The program currently emphasizes the ecological aspects of increase of this species in a coastal grassland at Sea Ranch, Sonoma County, to define the limits of adaptability of a species well-known for its genetic variability. Three students are now working on this program: two abstracts and one paper have been produced in the past year. The principal result to emerge is that *Anthoxanthum* is highly successful along the coast in a variety of environments. There appears to be a strong correlation between *Anthoxanthum* abundance and soil water availability, conditioned on the presence of other perennial species which are potential competitors.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.014

CRIS0084311

**VARIABILITY IN PHYSICAL REGIME OF LAKE TITICACA: RELATION TO BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-4136

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUN 81 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Seek multiyear data to estimate the energy budget for Lake Titicaca, Peru-Bolivia. Use the energy budget to compare this high altitude tropical lake to large, temperate lakes. The physical regime of tropical lakes may be more variable than that found in temperate latitudes. Test this view and determine the extent to which an uncertain and variable physical regime is reflected in the populations of aquatic organisms. Such uncertainty could be reflected in quite variable primary production and fish catch.

**APPROACH:** We intend to use three sources of data to evaluate the terms in the energy budget: First, a program of field measurements; second, data collected and recorded by Peruvian and Bolivian scientists; third, remote sensed data from satellites.

004.015 CRIS0058986  
ECOLOGY OF MOSQUITOES ASSOCIATED WITH CALIFORNIA RICE  
FIELDS

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ENT-2746-H Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 71 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: To develop ecological and biological data  
that would lead to integrated control programs for  
mosquitoes associated with California rice fields,  
with emphasis on cultural or biological methods of  
control.

APPROACH: By studying the seasonal variability in  
mosquito larval predation by natural and introduced  
fish and invertebrate predators; by studying the  
seasonal variability in the abundance and  
physiological state of the adult female population in  
relation to strategy of control and to their ability  
to serve as noxious pests; to investigate the  
feasibility of cultural means to control mosquitoes.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/09. Entomological and  
sociological studies yielded information on public  
tolerance to mosquitoes. Physiological age, blood  
feeding pattern and lipid content were studied in the  
adult mosquitoes. Newer sampling methods for larvae  
and adults were developed. Biological control studies  
were conducted with three fishes, one nematode, one  
fungus and several flatworms. Low volume chlorpyrifos  
and several insect growth regulators as larvicides  
were studied for chemical control.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/09

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004.016 CRIS0070096  
BIOLOGICAL INDICATORS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY IN  
CALIFORNIA LAKES AND STREAMS

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Proj. No.: CA-B\*-ENT-3806-H Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 29 MAR 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop the concept of biological  
indicators of environmental quality as applied to  
California's lake and stream environments. Analyze  
the effect of potential impacting activities (e.g.  
geothermal energy development, organic and heavy  
metal effluents) on the energy transfer processes in  
aquatic ecosystems.

APPROACH: Streams and lakes throughout California  
will be selected for study. A statistically-sound  
sampling regime will be developed for quantitative  
biotic collections and measurements of key water  
chemistry and physical parameters. Diversity indices,  
production estimates, and bioassay procedures will be  
applied in specific cases. A matrix data arrangement  
will be developed in which biological information,  
water chemistry measurements, and physical parameters  
can be used in preparing predictive models of the  
dynamic interactions occurring in these environments.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research concerning the use  
of the indicator organism concept in evaluating water  
quality in California lakes and streams is being  
concentrated in three main projects: the effect of  
geothermal energy development and operation as well  
as the effect of geochemical origin on aquatic biota,  
the effect of drought conditions on stream and spring  
systems, and the effect of the addition of mosquito  
control recirculation ditches on salt marsh biota.  
Results thus far indicate that: In geothermal energy  
impact studies, two species of caddisflies (Insecta:  
Trichoptera) *Gumaga nigricula* Mel. and *Helicopsyche*  
*borealis* (Hagen) can be used in monitoring programs;  
during low rainfall years selected populations have  
higher numbers of individuals in the Spring, probably  
due to reduced impact of spate activity; mosquito  
control recirculation ditches may increase abundance

and diversity of salt marsh fish communities but  
alter seasonal patterns of arthropod communities and  
distribution patterns of specific arthropod  
populations. Research is being continued in each of  
these projects.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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Populations in Forest and Aquatic Environments.  
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Larvae. Proc. 1st EPA Shale Symposium: Sampling,

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DISPOSITION OF CHEMICAL POLLUTANTS IN AQUATIC  
ORGANISMS

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ETX-3260-H Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 06 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Develop techniques for determining  
pollutant disposition in aquatic species; measure  
bioconcentration and metabolism of chemical probes  
(priority pollutants) in economically important  
aquatic (aquaculture) species; correlate chemical  
with biologically properties to allow prediction; and  
apply results to field situations.

APPROACH: Unrestrained representative aquatic species  
will be exposed to nontoxic levels of selected  
priority pollutants; bioconcentration will be  
measured chemically or radiometrically, collected  
metabolites will be separated and identified, and  
formation measured. Physical/chemical properties will  
be correlated with concentrations and phylogeny and  
predictable trends tested with other probes and  
species. Results will be applied to the organisms in  
the field by chemical analysis.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The fresh water clam,  
*Corbicula manilensis*, was cultured in the laboratory  
and exposed to hexachlorobenzene (HCB) as a chemical  
probe. The specially-constructed glass metabolism  
chamber allowed a constant exposure level of about  
0.45 ppb and 90% accountability for HCB. HCB uptake  
was rapid and reached a plateau after 50 hrs at 11.5  
ppb in *Corbicula* fat, but depuration into HCB-free  
water was very slow. No evidence of metabolic  
degradation was seen. A survey of other chemical  
probes possibly more readily degraded by molluscs  
suggested o-toluidine (2-methyl-aniline) as a  
candidate, and preliminary chemical work on  
analytical systems for it and its potential  
metabolites is in progress. A laboratory and  
procedure were established for trace analysis of  
priority pollutants in water and aquatic animal  
tissue. Striped bass (*Morone saxatilis*) were  
collected as indicator species from several areas of  
Northern California, and muscle, liver, and ovary  
were analyzed by gas chromatography for background  
chlorinated substances.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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**STREAMSIDE BUFFER STRIPS FOR PROTECTING AQUATIC ORGANISMS FROM LOGGING EFFECTS**

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Proj. No.: CA-F\*-FRU-2916-MS Project Type: MCINTIRE-STENNIS  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 28 JAN 74 To 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the response of stream macroinvertebrates to various buffer strip designs.

**APPROACH:** Streams will be located that have different buffer strips left after logging. Quantitative artificial substrate samplers (concrete balls 5 cm in diameter) will be placed in these streams so that invertebrates can be efficiently collected. Invertebrates will be compared by weights and species from stream sections that have different buffer strip designs.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 to 80/12. Sorting and identification of benthic macroinvertebrates from 26 streams is underway. Seven streams with narrow buffers that were examined in 1976 are included in the analyses. Preliminary results are available from detailed extraction of plant pigments found on similar bottom type in all streams. Although pigment quantities vary among unlogged and logged streams, these differences cannot be easily interpreted as resulting from timber harvesting activities. Relationships among chlorophyll a, total pigment complex, light, stream temperature and algal biomass are under study. Compensating changes in algal biomass or pigment concentration in response to light and temperature suggest that most other routine studies cannot adequately relate stream chlorophyll changes with perturbation.

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**EFFECTS OF STAMPEDE RESERVOIR ON UPSTREAM FISH POPULATIONS OF SAGEHEN CREEK**

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Proj. No.: CA-F\*-FRU-3649-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 07 SEP 78 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the cause of upstream movement of suckers in Sagehen Creek following impoundment and determine if other changes in fish composition are occurring, particularly trout populations in areas formerly uninhabited by suckers.

**APPROACH:** Seasonally, we will sample fish by electrofishing from the reservoir upstream. Density and standing crop estimates will be compared to pre-impoundment baseline data (1952 to 1961). Suckers will be tagged to determine movement patterns. Physiological condition will be assessed to see if upstream fish are under more stress than those downstream. An underwater observation tank will be used to observe behavior of trout and suckers in case suckers have an adverse effect on trout distribution.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 to 80/12. Tahoe sucker in Webber Lake were found in different depth and habitat zones depending on their size (age). They also fed on different benthic invertebrates depending on size. Juvenile sucker were gregarious by day in shallow water but at night fed as individuals. Adult fish lived in deep zones by day and migrated to shallow water at night to feed. Food of sucker in Webber Lake was mostly chironomid larvae, an amphipod and molluscs while in Stampede Reservoir they ate mostly chironomid larvae and pupae and some zooplankton (from the benthos). The differences in diet between systems was a function of differences in food availability. In Sagehen Creek, sucker confined to a section at the underwater observation tank fed actively only in mid afternoon. The action of their

feeding cleared away fine sediment and organic matter from bottom substrates. Invertebrate drift seemed increased by their feeding although further tests are needed for verification.

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004.020 CRIS0084225  
**CRAYFISH IN CALIFORNIA RICE FIELDS: DIET, IMPACT ON RICE PRODUCTION AND POSSIBLE RETURNS IN HARVEST**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-4127 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 81 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** To establish feeding habits of crayfish in rice fields with emphasis on their relationship to rice plants, insects, weeds and rice straw. To determine the extent of crayfish population development in California fields. To investigate the effect of crayfish on rice production and field damage. To examine the feasibility of a commercial fishery in the rice fields.

**APPROACH:** Extensive mark and recovery methods and behavioral observations will be done in rice fields. Stomach content analysis and observations will also be conducted in the lab. Population data will be correlated with figures on rice production and field damage. The feasibility of a fishery will be established from population data and simulated harvest.

004.021 CRIS0084226  
**APPLIED LIMNOLOGY AND FISHERIES STUDIES IN TROPICAL LAKES**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-4129 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 81 To 30 SEP 86

**OBJECTIVES:** To estimate the seasonal and year-to-year variability in production of fish food. Past studies indicate that deep tropical lakes have high production but indicate a pattern of unpredictable fluctuations in production. If so, fish production is also likely to vary. Management practices should be designed with this variability in mind. Lake Titicaca is typical of large, deep tropical lakes and the results obtained can be extended to an important class of lakes.

**APPROACH:** Echo sounding and trawl techniques for estimating the variation in distribution and standing stock of fish species; correlation between plankton production and pelagic fish stocks; analysis of the data to evaluate possible development and regulation of the fishery.

004.022 CRIS0065667  
**DEVELOPMENT OF FISH PROTECTIVE SYSTEMS FOR WATER INTAKES**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3056-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 DEC 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop practical schemes for protecting marine life at water intakes to lessen the adverse environmental effects of water diversions. Large diversions of water from rivers, lakes, and oceans for irrigation and water supply and for powerplant cooling cause grave ecological problems due to the loss of fish and fish eggs and larvae.

APPROACH: Hydraulic studies using scale models of intakes to develop intake configurations which produce flow patterns which will efficiently direct fish away from intakes. Development of a pilot installation (using moving and fixed screens and louvers) in which tests are made with fish and fish eggs and larvae. Investigation of the use of very large sand filters for river water diversions. Such a scheme would use very small openings and very low velocities. Thus, freely swimming and suspended organisms would be excluded from the diverted water.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. A report describing hydraulic tests on a distorted scale model of the intake to the Peripheral Canal of the California Aqueduct from the Sacramento River was published. The model simulated 5.5 miles of the Sacramento River plus a river diversion channel and approximately one mile of fish screens. It was constructed to a horizontal scale of 1:240 and a vertical scale of 1:60. The model had a moveable bed; ground walnut shells of a uniform size were used to simulate bedload sediments. A minicomputer was used to control the model operation, allowing unsteady flow conditions to be simulated. Both the upstream flow and downstream river stage could be varied as a function of time to simulate unsteady upstream flows and fluctuations in river levels due to tidal effects. The model tests indicated that problems related to bedload sediments are minimized if the fish screens are located in an off-stream channel rather than along the river bank. A larger, undistorted model of the intake and adjacent river reach at a scale of 1:50 was completed. The hydraulics of various fish screening schemes are currently under study. These include: the one-mile long off-river fish screen placed in a channel parallel to the river; a "saw-tooth" fish screen configuration spanning at 1000-ft wide channel; drum screens with vertical axes in an off-river channel.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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CRIS0066814

THE USE OF SELECTED AQUATIC ORGANISMS FOR PURPOSES OF AQUACULTURE (FOOD PRODUCTION)

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3350-H Project Type: EATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 05 NOV 74 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the tolerances, growth dynamics, food preference, egg hatchability of selected pest organisms. Utilize existing pest organisms such as tadpole shrimp and cladophora algae for beneficial purposes such as low cost protein source.

APPROACH: Initially information will be obtained relating to the environmental needs of the organisms under consideration. Later we will manage environmental factors in order to maximize the production of the potential protein material for purposes of either a domestic animal food (i.e., chicken or catfish food) or a protein supplement for humans.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Preparation of manuscripts resulting from our work with the Malaysian prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*) continues. These manuscripts focus on physiological aspects of our research and will be submitted to scientific journals in the near future. Research to better understand the laboratory culture of the grass shrimp (*Crangon*) is progressing well. This shrimp is a key food item for striped bass and sturgeon. Those culturing the sturgeon in the laboratory have indicated a need for food that is also under culture and therefore readily available to feed fish. Our research to determine the environmental needs of the shrimp has increased our capabilities to successfully culture this shrimp in the laboratory. Recently we have included the Asiatic

clam (*Corbicula*) in our culture operations. This clam exhibits potential as a filter feeder to remove undesirable particulate matter from aquaculture systems. In addition, the clam has demonstrated an ability to accumulate toxic materials such as heavy metals and organic materials. Clams, it is felt, will serve as excellent monitoring organisms in aquaculture systems. We are experimenting with methods of placing the clams in aquatic systems and their retrieval for tissue burden determination.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

STEPHENSON, M.J. and KNIGHT, A.W. 1980. Growth, Respiration and Caloric Content of Larvae of the Prawn *Macrobrachium rosenbergii*. Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology 66A(3):385-391.  
NAGAMINE, C., KNIGHT, A.W., NAGAMINE, C., KNIGHT, A.W., MAGGENTI, A. AND PAXMAN, G. 1980. Effects of Androgenic Gland Ablation on Male Primary and Secondary Sexual Characteristics in the Malaysian Prawn *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* with First Evident of Inocued

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RESPONSE OF AQUATIC LIFE TO SALINITY, TEMPERATURE, DISSOLVED OXYGEN AND WATER FLOW

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3075 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 74 To 31 DEC 75

OBJECTIVES: Study the effects of water temperature, flow, salinity and dissolved oxygen on the behavior, growth, and reproduction of aquatic test organisms, including opossum shrimp and striped bass.

APPROACH: Initial operations have been directed at techniques for maintaining and evaluating the effects of environmental factors on aquatic organisms. Artificial streams, static and continuous flow bioassay systems, oxygen consumption apparatus as well as experimental systems for obtaining growth information are being employed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Concentrated effort continues in the San Joaquin Delta area. The Asiatic clam (*Corbicula*) is being employed as a means of evaluating (monitoring) environmental factors as well as pollutants in the Delta. We have been placing clams in cages and on lines in areas of the Delta likely to be subjected to heavy metal, organic matter and other toxic substances. Other clams have been similarly placed in areas known to be free of contamination as controls. Information on clam growth, reproduction, survival and tissue burden is being collected for selected stations in the Delta. Some of the test sites are used as predischage evaluation sites. For example, many of our stations are situated in locations that will likely be influenced by the proposed San Joaquin Agricultural Drain release into the Delta. With background information on clam growth, reproduction and tissue burden of organic and heavy metal materials, it will be possible to evaluate the impact of such a large discharge of agricultural wastewater on aquatic organisms. We are also conducting population evaluations of the clam at selected sites (same as for clam cages) to determine population changes in clam populations due to man's activities, such as agricultural wastewater return, domestic wastewater introduction, industrial waste discharge and out-of-basin water transfers.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

KNIGHT, A.W. and FOE, C. 1980. Utilization of the Asiatic Clam, *Corbicula manilensis*, for the Direct Monitoring of the Effects of Receiving Waters on the Infauna of a Portion of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

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THE EFFECTS OF IRRIGATION WASTE WATER ON AQUATIC PLANTS IN THE SACRAMENTO RIVER



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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3073-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 OCT 74 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine what permutations in the aquatic vegetation growing in the Sacramento River (California) may occur as a result of the influence of irrigation return water and will relate these permutations to agricultural land management practices.

APPROACH: A survey of the aquatic vegetation growing in the river both upstream and down-stream of the Colusa Basin Drainage Canal outfall as well as in the canal itself is in progress. Variations through time and space will be noted and correlated with the quality of return water and also agricultural land management practices. Certain plant species will be grown under controlled conditions in the laboratory and the influence of irrigation return water determined using growth rates as a measure of plant performance.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. No progress report for this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

FCRD, S.A., KNIGHT, A.W. and D.E. BAYER. 1980.  
Irrigation return water impact on selected attached diatoms in the Sacramento River, Cal., U of Cal Water Resources Ctr Proj UCAL-WEC-W477.  
Water Sci & Eng Paper No. 4511. 86 pp.

004.026 CRIS0075135  
GROWTH AND MINERAL UPTAKE IN THE LEMNACEAE

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3639-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 APR 78 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Produce data on growth and nutrient uptake by selected aquatic plants (especially Lemna & Wolffia) under a variety of laboratory conditions. Growth of Lemna buds and increase in number of individual plants will be monitored simultaneously with nutrient removal rates in solutions of different concentrations of nitrates, potassium salts, phosphates and sulfates. The expansion pattern on a developing frond will be analyzed and compared to the pattern of nutrient removal.

APPROACH: Species of duckweed can be cultured vegetatively in defined nutrient medium (Billman, 1961). We have found modifications of published culturing techniques are satisfactory to maintain locally collected varieties of duckweed. Population growth will be monitored by planimeter measurement of total leaf area from microphotographs of small culture experiments and by fresh and dry weight analysis of larger scale experiments. Time lapse photomicrography of developing fronds marked with carbon particles will permit computerized analysis of the expansion pattern. The divergence of velocity will be plotted as a function of position on the frond. The expansion pattern can then be compared to the pattern of accumulation of mineral nutrients as determined by microprobe electron microscopy. Computer assisted analysis of the data could be used to develop a model to relate the mineral uptake rate to the growth rate and to define culturing conditions for nutrient removal by higher aquatic plants.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Experiments were undertaken to evaluate the possibility of using duckweeds to remove nitrate from irrigation return water. Lemna protein per frond and per root increases with developmental stage until plants are at least two generations old. Protein per frond, per root, and per unit dry weight is greater in plants grown at 23.9C than at 18.3C. More protein is found in fronds than in roots, and more nitrate occurs in roots than in fronds. Nitrate per root increases with developmental stage and is higher (per root) in plants grown at 23.9C than at 18.3C. The distribution of generations within a growing population is constant for at least eight doubling times. Whether populations multiply

slowly at 15.6C or more rapidly at 23.9C, fronds which have not yet produced progeny form 62% of the population; fronds which are one generation old form 25% of the population; and fronds which are two generations old form 9% of the population. Results allow estimates of nitrate removal as a function of time after frond inoculation. To remove 10 mg l<sup>-1</sup> of nitrate-nitrogen would take 10.8 days at 23.9C after inoculation with 16 fronds per liter. The great difference between protein content of plants grown at 18.3C and at 23.9C implies that reliable models will require a large data base.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.027 CRIS0070366  
ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS OF POTENTIAL AQUACULTURE FISH SPECIES

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-WFB-3455-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine the environmental requirements and limits of several California freshwater fishes with respect to temperature, dissolved oxygen, and other factors. These data would be used to indicate the adaptability of a species to aquaculture systems, including those receiving nutrient enrichment.

APPROACH: Environmental requirements will be determined by measurements of several respiratory, cardiovascular, and hematological variables under various environmental conditions. These measurements would indicate the physiological state of the fish regarding its overall energetic costs and oxygen uptake/transport functioning.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Growth rates of juvenile (1-8 g) Sacramento blackfish, *Orthodon microlepidotus*, a native California cyprinid which grows to greater than 1.5 kg, were measured at three temperature ranges in laboratory aquaria where several diets were offered ad lib. and at four stocking densities in small ponds where natural food was available. Respiratory metabolic (oxygen consumption) rates of juvenile blackfish were also measured in flow-through or static respirometers. Transformations of both growth and respiration data to energy units showed that: growth rates increased with elevations in environmental temperature, growth in aquaria was possible with strictly plant-based diets and was faster with diets higher in protein, lipids, and total calories, growth rates in ponds with high stocking densities approximated those in laboratory aquaria fed pelleted diets, which exceeded the energy costs for respiratory metabolism, and growth rate in the pond with the lowest stocking density was the highest measured and exceeded respiration energy costs by as much as 2.5 fold. Extensive type of pond culture in warm water (optimal range: 24 degrees to 29 degrees C) with abundant natural food may be recommended for the hardy blackfish. Details of this investigation are forthcoming in published form.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

CECH JR., J.J., MASSINGILL, M.J. and WURTSBAUGH, W.A. 1980. The Relationship of Food Conversion Efficiency and Growth Potential in Juvenile Mosquitofish, *Gambusia affinis*. Cal-Neva Wildlife Trans, pp. 1-5.

004.028 CRIS0066351  
ECOLOGICAL STUDIES OF THE NAVARRO AND GARCIA ESTUARIES, WITH EMPHASIS ON THE FISHES

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-WFB-3221-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 04 FEB 75 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Define the physical, chemical and biological parameters of two estuaries (Navarro and Garcia) with special attention being paid to fish ecology.

APPROACH: The distribution, movements, and feeding habits of the fishes, transient and resident, will be studied in relation to daily and seasonal physical and chemical changes in the estuaries. Collections will be made over a 3-9 day period in each estuary once every two weeks in the summer and fall, once a month in the winter and spring.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The data analysis is complete on this project and is being incorporated into the Ph.D. thesis of D. B. Varoujean. Essentially, this study had demonstrated that small north coast estuaries are important rearing and spawning areas for both marine and anadromous fishes. When the mouth of an estuary becomes closed during low-water years, the estuary may become anoxic in all but the surface of shallow waters, resulting in mortality of fish and crustaceans, and forcing species to compete with each other for limited space that normally would not come in contact with one another. These conditions may occur more frequently if the waters of coastal streams are diverted.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.029\* CRIS0068125  
INSTREAM FLOW REQUIREMENTS OF CALIFORNIA FISHES

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-WFB-3206-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 23 JUN 75 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine the requirements of the different life history stages of California fishes in relation to water velocity, substrate and depth. Show how these requirements vary in different stream types and in relation to temperature regimes and other fish species present. Determine if squawfish predation on salmon is increased by changed flow regimes and erection of diversionary structures.

APPROACH: Following the USFWS-IFG methodology, representative sections of streams are selected and subjected to intensive hydrological studies that allow the section to be simulated on a computer. Measurements of depth, velocity, substrate and other variables are then recorded for individual fish of all species present. When the two sets of data are combined, predictions can be made as to how such suitable habitat is available to each species, under different flow regimes. Samples of squawfish collected at different localities, times of the year and habitats are being examined for food habits. The results will be used in conjunction with data collected.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. This project has been terminated in favor of the more specific project WFB 3884-B. Much of what was learned in this project is summarized in Moyle and Li (1979) and Moyle (in press). Essentially, these studies document the distribution patterns of freshwater fishes in major portions of the Sacramento-San Joaquin drainage system in relation to the changing patterns of water use by man. Specific studies have also concentrated on the unique trout fishery of the McCloud River (Sturges and Moyle 1978, Tippetts and Moyle 1978) and on the threatened fishes of the Pit River system (Daniels and Moyle 1978; Daniels 1979).

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
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DANIELS, R.A. 1979. Distribution and status of crayfishes in the Pit River drainage, California. Crustaceana. 20:1-8.

STURGES, J. and MOYLE, P.B. 1978. Biology of rainbow trout, brown trout and interior Dolly Varden in the McCloud River, California, in relation to management. Cal-Neva Wildlife. pp. 232-250.

TIPPETTS, W.E. and MOYLE, P.B. 1978. Epibenthic feeding by rainbow trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) in the McCloud River, California. J. Anim. Ecol. 97:549-559.

DANIELS, R.A. and MOYLE, P.B. 1978. Biology, distribution and status of rough sculpin, *Cottus asperimus*, in the Pit River drainage, Northeastern California. Copeia. p. 673-678.

004.030 CRIS0081224  
ECOLOGY OF FISHES OF SACRAMENTO - SAN JOAQUIN ESTUARY, WITH EMPHASIS ON SUISUN MARSH

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-WFB-3930-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 28 MAR 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the ecological requirements of major fish species of the more shallow, freshwater (12 ppt. salinity) portions of the estuary, especially Suisun Marsh, in relation to man-caused and natural changes in freshwater inflows. Species of special interest are chinook salmon juveniles, striped bass and native nongame fishes.

APPROACH: Selected areas are sampled every 2-4 weeks throughout the year using otter trawls, seines, traps and other appropriate methods. All fish are measured and samples aged, to determine use of area by size classes. Stomach contents are analyzed on a monthly basis, so a trophic web can be constructed. Selected species will be worked with in the laboratory to test salinity and temperature tolerances.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. In the past year we have sampled the sloughs of the Suisun Marsh twice a month to document changes in the fish fauna in relation to season, temperature, and salinity. We have also examined the stomachs of nearly 1000 fish to develop a food web for the marsh, and have conducted investigations of the life history of the splittail and tule perch, two native species potentially threatened by future developments in the marsh. We have found that the marsh is an important rearing area for juvenile salmon in the late winter and spring, at least during wet years. It is an important year-round habitat for juvenile striped bass and various native fishes. Catfish, once an important fishery in the marsh, appear to have declined since high-salinity waters invaded the marsh during the recent drought. However, we predict that the managed salinity regime proposed for the marsh by the Department of Water Resources, will bring back catfish and will probably improve conditions for striped bass and splittail as well.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.031\* CRIS0015826  
CONTROL OF WEEDS AND CERTAIN OTHER AQUATIC PLANTS IN THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

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Proj. No.: 5206-20280-001 Project Type: INHCUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 26 FEB 70 To 15 NOV 81

OBJECTIVES: Investigate individual and integrated approaches to control aquatic weeds, including herbicides, herbivorous fish and other aquatic fauna, insects, competitive plants, pathogens and other organisms. Investigate physiology, ecology, and biochemistry of aquatic plants in order to understand why and how the weed problems occur, and how effective control programs can be devised.



APPROACH: Find and test in laboratory, greenhouse, and field, biological agents that consume, destroy, or inhibit species of problem aquatic weeds. Discover new herbicides and growth regulators, and devise improved methods of using known phytotoxic chemicals for control of aquatic vegetation. Combine chemical and biological control methods to produce effective and acceptable integrated control programs. Study nutrition, growth, reproduction, and response of aquatic weeds to environmental factors, and utilize this information in programs designed to eliminate weed infestations and to prevent their recurrence.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Several canals and Sheldon Reservoir in El Centro, Ca., were sampled to determine Hydrilla biomass and tuber density. Fresh biomass varied from 0 to 7.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup> and tuber density varied from 0 to 423/m<sup>2</sup> in canals. Biomass varied from 0.64 kg/m<sup>2</sup> to 2.03 kg/m<sup>2</sup> and tuber density from 12/m<sup>2</sup> to 65/m<sup>2</sup> in Sheldon Reservoir. When water was held in Sheldon Reservoir, concentrations of greater than 1 ppmw copper resulted in good control of Hydrilla. Draw-down application of fluridone (without soil incorporation) at 1 or 2 lb/acre did not control Hydrilla. Application of endothall (Aquathol -K R) to a small pond in El Centro resulted in ca. 75% control of Hydrilla. Although continuous contact bioassays of PH 4062 at .25 to 1.0 ppmw controlled both algal species, Cladophora appeared to be slightly more resistant than Rhizoclonium. In limited contact tests, Rhizoclonium was controlled one week after exposure to 1.0 ppmw concentration of PH4062 for 2 h. while exposure to a 2.0 ppmw of PH4062 for 2 h. was necessary for good Cladophora control. A dense infestation of M. brasilienses in a drainage canal was controlled by a foliar application of fenac at 15 lb/acre in 200 gal/A spray volume. The degree of control in the canal site was not expected and additional studies on foliar application of fenac will follow. A detailed study of the morphology of Hydrilla was made using a scanning electron microscope and normal and polarized light microscopy, and macrophotography.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### 004.032\* CRIS0077533 ANALYSIS AND MODELING LAKE MICHIGAN FISH POPULATION

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Agency ID: CSVM05500 Period: 01 JAN 76 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Assessment of power plant effects such as entrainment, impingement and relatively small thermal increments on Lake Michigan implies a need for a systems analysis approach. Proposed is a modelling effort to examine and interrelate the data from the fishery and related investigations in the vicinity of the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant to determine power plant effluent pollution effects on commercial and sports fish in Lake Michigan.

APPROACH: The model will examine changes over time on a multispecies population sector. Climatic variables, plant operations and seasonal effects will be used as driving variables in the model to change the values of elements in the transition matrices. The model, after development and revisions, will be used to make predictions of impacts of alternative power plant operational stages on the population vector of the lake ecosystem.

#### 004.033 WATER QUALITY STUDY

CRIS0076057

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Agency ID: CSVM06349 Period: 30 JUN 78 To 29 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Carry out a continuing study of the Cache la Poudre River as it has been effected by the establishment of an industrial complex at Windsor, CO.

APPROACH: Sampling stations above and below the city of Fort Collins and the town and manufacturing complex at Windsor, CO, 12 miles downstream from Fort Collins have been established. Continuous monitoring for a number of indicators of water quality are to be carried out to determine and the effects of population and industrialization pressures on the river. The indicators include physical, chemical (inorganic, organic, heavy metal), and biological (bacteria, benthic and planktonic organisms, fish), parameters.

PROGRESS: 79/10 TO 80/12. This study is a continuing Cache la Poudre River surveillance project for the river segment from above Fort Collins to a point near the confluence with the South Platte River. A data base is being established for chemical, physical and biological parameters of the stream. Fish population studies and benthic surveys are included. The data is being used by state, local and industrial agencies in establishing a wastewater pollution control and management for the Poudre and discharges to the stream. Graduate students are receiving partial support for their participation in the study.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/10 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 004.034 CRIS0077525 TOXIC EFFECTS ON THE AQUATIC BIOTA FROM COAL AND OIL SHALE DEVELOPMENT

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Agency ID: CSVM01188 Period: 01 JUL 75 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Study the effects of coal combustion and the aquatic biota. Study of ammonia toxicity to fishes and aquatic macroinvertebrates. Study of effects of coal and oil shale mining on receiving streams in increased inloads of dissolved solids.

APPROACH: Western Colorado is coming under heavy pressure for energy development, particularly coal and oil shale development. At the same time, Western Colorado is renowned for its wildlife including fishing. The relationship and impact of energy development on aquatic biota will be determined using ecosystem sampling techniques and quantifying ammonia concentrations by gas chromatography.

#### 004.035\* CRIS0044200 EVALUATION OF EFFICACY, CROP RESPONSES AND CROP AND WATER RETENTION OF POTENTIAL AQUATIC HERBICIDES

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Proj. No.: 5604-20280-005 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 02 DEC 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Identify effective, new aquatic herbicides and algicides. Determine the phototoxicity of irrigation water containing aquatic herbicides on crops and the extent of herbicide residue retention in the exposed crops. Determine the level of herbicide residue in water resulting from the application of herbicide to irrigation canals, or impoundments.

**APPROACH:** Use a greenhouse, static water screening bioassay for observing the phytotoxic effects of new chemical compounds on American pondweed sago pondweed and Elodea. Use a unialgal culture bioassay to evaluate new chemicals for algicidal properties. Make applications of candidate aquatic herbicides (which show sufficient efficacy and environmental safety) to irrigation canals or canal banks and subsequently sample exposed water and analyze for herbicide residues. Develop bioassay for evaluating controlled-release aquatic herbicides. Grow representative crops in small, replicated plots and irrigate with water containing appropriate levels of aquatic herbicide and subsequently determine the herbicide residue levels in the harvested crops.

**PROGRESS:** 77/02 TO 80/09. Rates of 2.25 to 7.43 kg/ha simazine applied to ditchbanks of flowing canals produced a maximum of 60 ug/l. First water flow samples from dry-canal treatments at similar rates produced a maximum of 250 ug/l with rapid subsequent dissipation. In six crops (corn, pinto beans, alfalfa, sugarbeets, tomatoes, cucumbers) irrigated with water containing 0.01 or 0.1 mg/l simazine, only trace amounts (0.5 to 2.9 ppb) were found. Similar studies showed little or no arsenic accumulation in crops exposed to 1.0-2.0 ppm MSMA. Small pond tests showed that granular fluridone controls elodea, pondweeds, and stunts cattails within three months when applied at 2-3 lbs/acre. The levels of dicamba were determined in 6 crops that had been irrigated with .05 or 0.5 ppmw dicamba by furrow or sprinkler. Residues were less than .01 ppmw with the .05 ppm. Velpar was tested 1.0 ppm in a small (0.08 ha) pond. Fluridone is effective in stopping growth of American and sago pondweed when vegetative tubers were exposed to 1 ppm in the light.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/02 TO 80/09**

ANDERSON, I.W.J. and RAINES, R.W. 1980. Response of Hydrilla verticillata, Elodea canadensis, and Myriophyllum spicatum to combinations of Komeen and Endothall in moving water. West. Soc. Weed Sci. Prog. p.334-335.

ANDERSON, I.W.J. 1980. Dicamba residues in crops irrigated with water containing low levels of Benvel 4SR herbicide. West. Soc. Weed Sci. Progr. Rept. p. 346.

**004.036 CRIS0076966  
THE EFFECTS OF AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE OF NATURAL SYSTEMS - PHASE III**

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Proj. No.: DELX-0007-79-2 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine and measure the operationally significant effects of agricultural drainage on natural systems of the Del-Mar-Va Peninsula with particular reference to changes and trends in water relationship, microclimate population and community dynamics community productivities, viability of wetlands. Provide practical recommendations/guidelines for maintaining natural ecosystem where possible or maximizing desirable ecological changes and minimizing undesirable changes where changes are necessary.

**APPROACH:** See item No. 24.

**PROGRESS:** 79/10 TO 80/12. A water quality monitoring network was established in June 1977 on the Upper Choptank River Watershed (Delmarva Peninsula) to compare reconstructed and unreconstructed agricultural drainage ditches. Water quality variables and benthic macroinvertebrates are sampled bimonthly. Water-table levels and soil moisture are also monitored. Statistical analysis of water quality data for the calendar years of 1978-1979-1980 is in progress. Significant differences between reconstructed and unreconstructed ditches include; increased water temperature and air temperature variations (2.5 degrees - 3.0 degrees C. water, 4 degrees - 6 degrees air); increases in pH, alkalinity (6-10 mg/l. CaCO<sub>3</sub>), hardness (0-15 mg/l.), sulfate (70-100 mg/l.), dissolved oxygen (2-4 mg/l.) and

calcium (2-6mg/l.); decreased acidity (10-15 mg/l. CaCO<sub>3</sub>), hardness (9-15 mg/l.) sulfate (70-100 mg/l.), dissolve oxygen (2-4 mg/l.) and calcium (2-6 mg/l.); decreased acidity (10-15 mg/l. CaCO<sub>3</sub>), color (20-40 Pt Co Units) and turbidity (10 to 20 NTU). Analysis indicates that the relationships among variables, as well as the variables themselves are affected. Other water quality variables being monitored include residue, chloride, copper, lead, iron, nitrate, phosphate, fecal coliform, and biochemical oxygen demand. Three-year baseline data now exists on a ditch in which reconstruction activities commenced in April 1980. Post-reconstruction data will allow validation of present hypotheses.

**PUBLICATIONS: 79/10 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.**

**004.037 CRIS0005920  
INSECTICIDE AND NON-CHEMICAL CONTROL OF MOSQUITOES**

LAKE R W; MURPHY F; ENTOMOLOGY & APPLIED ECOLOGY; UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE, NEWARK, DELAWARE. 19711.  
Proj. No.: DEI00728-A Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: To 01 JAN 89

**OBJECTIVES:** Study the effectiveness of control methods by trapping adult mosquitoes; the toxicity of insecticides to possible resistant and non-resistant mosquitoes, and to muskrats; and ditching of salt marshes as a control method.

**APPROACH:** Light trapping of adult mosquitoes with New Jersey light traps. Field and laboratory tests of promising insecticides. Determine resistance of pest species to insecticides with WHO test-kits. Ditching studies of standard and large (up to 15 feet wide) ditches.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The following pest mosquitoes accounted for greater than 94% of the total females trapped: Culex spp. 48.5%, Coquillettia perturbans 32.7%, Aedes vexans 8.3% and A. sollicitans 5.7%. Anopheles crucians complex, A. cantator and Psorophora ferox made up little more than 3% of the total. Field tests with Bacillus thuringiensis var israelensis in micro marsh pools demonstrated the efficacy of this bacterial insecticide in controlling Culex spp. and A. sollicitans larvae. Dosage rates ranged from 0.25 to 1.25 kg/ha. In most tests mortality was 98.6-100% within 48 hours at the 1.0 and 1.5 kg/ha rate. In one test only 80 and 86.7% mortality was recorded for the .25 and .50 kg/ha rate. This material appears to be effective in both fresh and saline waters. Two tests were conducted with A. sollicitans in water of up to 15 ppt salinity. Oviposition containers in which separate infusions of alfalfa, straw and timothy grasses were tested remained attractive to Culex species for approximately 10-14 days. In five separate tests straw accounted for 69.4%, alfalfa 19.0%, and timothy 11% of 3,292 egg rafts collected. Eggs reared to 4th instar were identified as a mixture of Culex restuans and Culex pipiens. initial tests at Bombay Hook indicate that under dry or near drought conditions oviposition containers can be used as preferential sites for obtaining Culex sp eggs (C. salinarius, C. pipiens and C. restuans) when collecting in natural sites yields low populations of larvae.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

MATHER, T.N. 1980. Small Plot Evaluations of the Toxicity of Selected Chemicals for Mosquito Control to Salt Marsh Wildlife. Master of Science Thesis. Univ. of Delaware.

**004.038 CRIS0068332  
PRODUCTIVITY OF THE SALINE MARSHES ON FLORIDA'S NORTH AND WEST COASTS, PHASE II**

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Proj. No.: FLAX-PR-0002-4232      Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSFS      Period: 14 JAN 75 To 13 JAN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** The objectives are identical to those in the 1973 project entitled "Productivity of the saline marshes on Florida's North and West Coasts," with the following additions: Measure productivity of marsh plants. Determine calorific values of marsh plants and animals.

**APPROACH:** In addition to the approach described in the previously cited project (1973) we will use the following: Monthly growth measurements will be made of marsh plants on different soils. The  $^{14}$ C technique will be used to measure production of *Juncus*. Plants will be harvested in 1 m<sup>2</sup> plots. An oxygen bomb calorimeter will be employed.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. *Juncus roemerianus* is the dominant salt marsh angiosperm in Northwestern Florida, and its growth and production was determined in three soil zones. Productivity of *Spartina* and *Distichlis* was also measured. Total net aerial production of *Juncus* decreased landward from 949 g/m<sup>2</sup>/yr in low marsh to 595 g in upper marsh and 243 g in high marsh. Production of *Spartina* also decreased landward from 700 g/m<sup>2</sup>/yr to 335 g to 130 g in the three zones. Height and diameter of *Juncus* shoots and rhizomes decreased landward. Annual mean below ground biomass was 3 to 8 times that of annual mean above ground biomass in the three zones. Decomposition of *Juncus* and *Spartina* was faster in low marsh zones, and *Spartina* decomposed faster. Several methods were used to estimate the primary production of these plants. Nutritive values of shoots and rhizomes of *Juncus* and shoots of *Spartina* and *Distichlis*, were measured for live, dead and decomposing plant parts. Carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, ash, phosphates and nitrates showed seasonal fluctuations. Calorific values were comparable for live and decomposing shoots. Zonal differences were significant in ash, crude fiber, protein, lipid and phosphorus of rhizomes, and only of ash of shoots of *Juncus*. Protein enrichment of detritus during decomposition was observed. The detritus appears to be totally produced within the marshes by these plants. Several soil factors were examined, such as electrical conductivity, moist pH, and cation exchange capacities.

**PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12**

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KRUCZYNSKI, W.L., SUBRAHMANYAM, C.B. and DRAKE, S.H. 1978. Studies on the plant community of a North Florida salt marsh. Part II. Nutritive values and decomposition. *Bull. Mar. Sci.* 28:707-715.

COULTAS, C.L. and GRCS, E.R. 1975. Distribution and properties of some tidal marsh soils of Apalachee Bay, Florida. *Proc. Soil Sci. Amer.* 39:914-918.

004.039      CRIS0070145  
**COMPARATIVE ECOLOGY OF SELECTED SPECIES OF AQUATIC INSECTS, PHASE IV**

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Proj. No.: FLAX-PM-0001-4231      Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 22 SEP 75 To 01 JUL 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Study the ecology of selected species of aquatic insects that are important in understanding the mechanisms of a natural aquatic environment, study the comparative ecology of selected aquatic insects across major climatic areas in order to characterize critical factors, conditions, and indices of the unique relationships with a natural aquatic environment, and develop biological methods based on aquatic insects to indicate, and prevent pollution in natural aquatic environments, by agriculture, industry and the general public.

**APPROACH:** Various species of aquatic insects will be selected for studies of ecology, life history, habits, behavior, and seasonal distribution. The Ephemeroptera (Mayflies), Chironomidae (midges) and Coleoptera (beetles) will receive initial emphasis. Relationships of the several species with their aquatic environments including pollutants will be established.

**PROGRESS:** 75/09 TO 80/09. During the period of this grant, research was completed on the Adult life and emergence of *Dolania Americana* in the Blackwater River, Florida. This research is an accumulation of 5 years' data. The environmental requirements of pollution tolerance of common freshwater chironomidae in the United States was completed and published. A total of 16 papers on Ephemeroptera, Chironomidae and Aquatic were published.

**PUBLICATIONS: 75/09 TO 80/09**

BECK, W. M., JR. 1977. Environmental requirements and pollution tolerance of common freshwater Chironomidae. U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Monitoring Series, 260p.

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HUBBARD, M. D. AND CUNNINGHAM, W. G. 1977. Orientation of mounds in the ant *Solenopsis invicta* (Hymenoptera, Formicidae, Myrmecinae). *Insectes Sociaux* 24(1) : 3-7.

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004.040      CRIS0075815  
**RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN SALT MARSH AND ESTUARINE ANIMAL COMMUNITIES AND ENERGY EXCHANGE**

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Proj. No.: FLAX-PR-0002-4232-1      Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS      Period: 21 APR 78 To 20 APR 88

**OBJECTIVES:** Conclude the study of benthic and pelagic animals in St. Marks estuary. Assess metabolic requirements of estuarine and marsh animals. Determine caloric values of marsh and estuarine animals and plants. Initiate study of seasonal composition of estuarine and inshore plankton.

**APPROACH:** A benthic dredge will be used to sample a known volume of sediments, and a 14-ft balloon trawl for collecting nektonic and benthic species. The rate of oxygen uptake of young and mature specimens of invertebrates and fish will be determined in a static system in 2-hr experiments. Caloric values of dried specimens of plants, invertebrates and fish will be determined in a Parr Oxygen Bomb Calorimeter using standard procedure. A No. 3 net and a No. 20 net will be used to sample phyto- and zooplankton in the estuary and in inshore waters. After taking the settling volumes qualitative analysis of the species will be carried out in the laboratory.

**PROGRESS:** 77/10 TO 79/09. The study of the infaunal invertebrates and fish of St. Marks River estuary and shallow inshore was continued and completed. The soils of the same localities contained 80 to 92% sand, 2 to 13% clay, and 0.2 to 2% organic matter. The density of invertebrates was higher than in marsh, and amphipods were more abundant. Fish numbers declined from about 80-2000/catch at inshore station to 5-10/catch at river station. Black bass and spinbox fish were common in trawl samples. Estuarine fish, such as *Leiostomus xanthurus*, Anchoa, flounders and blue crabs and shrimps enter marshes as juveniles. The fish production was estimated at 1.68 g/m<sup>2</sup>/yr at St. Marks and 3.13 g/m<sup>2</sup>/yr at Wakulla. Fish catch in Florida amounts to 18 million dollars per hours. A Master's Thesis was developed on the economic value of salt marshes, and an estimate of 56 to 69 dollars per acre was arrived at based upon blue

crab fishery. The distribution patterns of invertebrates show that *Cyathura* is ubiquitous, certain polychaetes are restricted to either marsh zones or tidal creeks, and molluscs such as *Polymesoda* are restricted to marsh zones. Among fishes killifishes occur more abundantly in marsh creeks than in estuaries. Energy exchange between estuaries and marshes in via tidal creeks. Preliminary experiments on metabolic needs of fish species indicate that migratory fish species need basically more oxygen per gm of body weight than resident fish, and both types are metabolically dependent on external oxygen.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/10 TO 79/09**

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SUBRAHMANYAM, C.E. 1980. Oxygen consumption of estuarine fish in relation to external oxygen tension. Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology. In Press.

**004.041\* CRIS0076759  
ECOLOGICAL OF SALT MARSHES IN RELATION TO ESTUARIES AND ENERGY FLOW**

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Proj. No.: FLAX79004 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Study community structure and seasonal variations in marsh and estuaries; study breeding cycles of individual species; study nutritional needs of species in terms of caloric intake study energy utilization of species in terms of oxygen consumption; determine the energy content of species in terms of caloric values and study activity patterns in field and laboratory to understand movements of species.

**APPROACH:** Collect animals with trawl, plankton nets, corer and grabs. Sort and identify species. Follow the seasonal distribution of larvae in plankton to assess breeding patterns. Conduct feeding experiments in laboratory, and evaluate food intake and assimilation. Study the oxygen consumption rates by continuous flow techniques, and determine diurnal and tidal rhythms of metabolism by 24-hr experiments. Burn the organisms in oxygen bomb calorimeter and determine caloric values. Tag fish species in field and follow movements by recapture. Release tagged fish in enclosures and follow activity. Perform laboratory experiments.

**PROGRESS:** 79/09 TO 80/08. The abundance patterns of fish and invertebrates in St. Marks coastal estuarine-marsh system were summarized in a published paper. Preliminary experiments on the metabolism of estuarine fish showed that the two resident species, *Fundulus grandis* and *F. similis* consumed 0.036 - 0.047 ml(2)/gm/hr, which was lower than 0.071 - 0.112 ml(2)/gm/hr consumed by the migratory species *Leiostomus xanthurus* and *Lagodon rhomboides*. All the four species showed metabolism dependent on ambient oxygen tension in the range of 20 - 90 mmHg. Plankton collections and water quality study in St. Marks estuary and Apalachee Bay were started in April 1979 and will be completed in May 1981. Differences between surface and bottom salinity in one tidal cycle were as high as 5-8 p.p.t., but between surface and bottom oxygen (0.5-1.0 ml/l) and temperature (1-2 degrees C) were negligible. Summer temperatures were higher in contrast to salinities because of rainfall. Plankton volume varied from 5ml/tow (3 minutes) to 300 ml/tow between cool and warm months. Phytoplankton maxima were observed in fall and early winter, and zooplankton peaks in late spring and late summer. When stations are compared, Apalachee Bay stations generally showed larger volume of plankton, and mesohaline estuarine stations showed less. Crustacean larvae such as crab zoea and megalopa, penaeid postlarvae, and fish larvae were abundant from spring through fall.

**PUBLICATIONS: 79/09 TO 80/08**

SUBRAHMANYAM, C.E. Oxygen Consumption of Estuarine Fish in Relation to External Tension. Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology 67A:129-133.  
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**004.042 CRIS0075816  
COMPARATIVE ECOLOGY OF SELECTED SPECIES OF AQUATIC INSECTS, PHASE IV**

PETERS W L; ENTOMOLOGY; FLORIDA AGRIC & MECH UNIVERSITY, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA. 32307.  
Proj. No.: FLAX-PE-0001-4231 Project Type: GKANT  
Agency ID: CSFS Period: 21 APR 78 To 01 JUL 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Study the ecology of selected species of aquatic insects that are important in understanding the mechanisms of a natural aquatic environment, study the comparative ecology of selected aquatic insects across major climatic areas in order to characterize critical factors, conditions, and indices of the unique relationships within a natural aquatic environment, and develop biological methods based on aquatic insects to evaluate and prevent pollution in natural aquatic environments.

**APPROACH:** Various species of aquatic insects will be selected for studies of ecology, life history, habits, behavior, and seasonal distribution. The Ephemeroptera (Mayflies), Chironomidae (midges) and Coleoptera (beetles) will receive initial emphasis. Relationships of the several species with their aquatic environments including pollutants will be established.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During this grant, the environmental requirements on pollutions tolerance and Ephemeroptera in the United States were completed and published. Ecology and taxonomy of various species were completed from Wisconsin, New Zealand, and New Caledonia. A total of 13 papers on Ephemeroptera, Chironomidae and aquatic weevils were published.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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FLOWER, R. W. and HILSENBOFF, W. L. 1978. Life cycles and habitats of Wisconsin Ephemeroptera (Ephemeroptera). Hydrobiologia 60 (2) : 155-171.  
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HUBBARD, M. D. and PETERS, W. L. 1978. Environmental requirements and pollution tolerance of Ephemeroptera. U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA-600/4-78-061), Cincinnati. vi + 461pp.

**004.043 CRIS0076796  
WATER QUALITY STUDIES: COMPARATIVE ECOLOGY AND SYSTEMATICS OF SELECTED AQUATIC INSECTS**

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Proj. No.: FLAX79009 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Study the systematics of mayflies, midges, and aquatic weevils when needed to use as a tool in water quality studies in the U.S., study the ecology of selected species of mayflies, midges, and aquatic weevils that are important in understanding the mechanisms of a natural aquatic environment, study the comparative ecology of selected species of mayflies, midges, and aquatic weevils across major climatic areas in order to characterize critical factors, conditions, and indices of the unique



relationships with a natural aquatic environment, and develop biological methods based on aquatic insects to indicate and prevent pollution in natural aquatic environments by agriculture, industry and the general public.

**APPROACH:** Various species of aquatic insects will be selected for studies of ecology, life history, habits, behavior, and seasonal distribution. The Ephemeroptera (Mayflies), Chironomidae (midges) and Coleoptera (beetles) will receive initial emphasis. Relationships of the several species with their aquatic environments including pollutants will be established.

**PROGRESS:** 79/10 TO 80/12. Various taxonomic and ecological studies on aquatic insects have been completed and published. These include among others: (1) a revision of the family Baetiscidae, (2) a review of the nearctic Heptagenia, (3) a comparison of mayfly instar determination methods, (4) comparative internal anatomy of larval mayflies, (5) several works on Southern Hemisphere Leptophlebiidae, (6) a revision of Homoeoneuria, (7) new chironomid records for southern U.S., (8) taxonomic composition of Chironomidae in sand bottom streams in Florida, and (9) a checklist of Hyperodes. Studies continue on: (1) limnology and species ecology of Blackwater River, (2) ecology of aquatic insects of Burnt Mill Creek, (3) ecology of Chironomidae in Turkey Creek, (4) the Chironomidae of Florida, and (5) ethology of aquatic weevils.

#### **PUBLICATIONS: 79/10 TO 80/12**

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#### **004.044 CRIS0071130 VALUE OF TIDAL MARSHES IN RELATION TO ESTUARINE ECOSYSTEM, AND EVALUATION OF FRESHWATER WETLANDS**

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Proj. No.: FLAX-PR-0002-4232 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 16 JAN 76 TO 04 NOV 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Stabilize dredge spoil & study animal & plant colonization. Study animal communities of St. Marks River estuary. Estimate value of tidal marshes in Wakulla Co. Investigate parameters important for growth of Juncus. Characterize merits of selected freshwater wetland. Compare soil properties of marshes & upland.

**APPROACH:** (The methods related to objectives in the same order). Quantitative bimonthly collection of plants & animals in dredge spoil. Quantitative monthly collection of plankton, nekton & benthos from estuary. Estimation of standing crop biomass. Estimation of standing crop, collection of fish catch data. Application of fertilizers and monthly estimations of productivity of Juncus. Laboratory determination of soil characteristics. Survey of freshwater soils using standard methods and determination of soil properties. Examination of soils along transects, and estimation of soil properties.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. A study of the fish and invertebrate communities in St. Marks River estuary and shallow waters of Gulf of Mexico is being conducted, with a two year sampling program. An investigation of the infaunal communities of tidal creeks has been completed, and the results are being processed for a scientific paper. The colonization process in the intertidal zone of a man made dredge spoil island was completed. Cyathura polita, an isopod, has been recorded in Juncus marshes for the first time. Its density in the sediments varied between 58 and 75/m<sup>2</sup>. Reproduction occurred in April, young were common in May and these produced young in following April. Males matured first, and possible protogynous hermaphroditism may exist. This is a very important forage species for young fish. A total of 29 species of polychaetes colonized the intertidal zone of the island. Densities varied from 16 to 1152/m<sup>2</sup>. No correlation between substrate type and feeding preferences was noticed. Among the four stations studied, species appeared to expand their habitat from low to high tide regions over a year's time. Scoloplos and Aricidea were pioneering species. An equilibrium of number of species was not detected, and more species moved in from estuaries. This study showed that disturbed marshes may be colonized by estuarine species. A comparison with the estuarine fish species of the marsh species revealed that several commercially important species use marshes as nursery.

#### **PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12**

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#### **004.045\* CRIS0079913 THE ECOLOGICAL IMPACT OF INTEGRATED CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL AQUATIC WEED CONTROL**

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Proj. No.: FIA-AY-01987 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 79 TO 31 DEC 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the impact of chemical/biological control on the fishery environment, and ascertain the most desirable balance of vegetation versus open water that will maintain desirable water quality, fish growth and reproduction; evaluate the feasibility of combining chemical and biological weed control in a natural lake and determine costs benefit ratios.

**APPROACH:** Two lakes and 24 ponds will be utilized to test the above objectives, water quality, fish population, benthos, zooplankton, and phytoplankton will be analyzed in each habitat.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Collection of background information was conducted on aquatic macrophytes, phytoplankton, benthos, algae and fish populations from Orange Lake (4,921 ha), Lake Pearl (23.5 ha), and in 24 0.2 ha ponds before initiation of treatment. The 24 ponds were separated into chemical, grass carp, fertilization, and control. Grass carp were stocked at a rate of 4, 8 and 16/pond and chemical treatments were applied to evaluate effectiveness for 30, 60 and 100% vegetation control. Treatment ponds supported plankton populations consisting primarily of the green algae genera Cosmarium, Scenedesmus and Tetraedron. The cladoceran genera Macrothrix and Alona and the rotifer Keratella numerically dominated all samples. Lake Pearl was chemically treated three times during the spring and summer to reduce biomass and stocked with grass carp to study integrated control. Radio transmitters were implanted in ten grass carp and nine largemouth bass.

Although individual bass moved as an immediate response to herbicide application, percent occurrence of sightings remained evenly distributed in respect to herbicide treatment. Eighty-one percent of the grass carp were found in the treatment area prior to treatment, decreasing to 56% post-treatment. Dominant genera were the flagellated Ceratium and Chlamydomonas and the nonflagellated chlorophytes Ankistrodesmus, Staurastrum and Cosmarium. Infestation of hydrilla in Orange Lake has increased from 66 ha in 1978 to 1,240 ha in 1980.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.046\* CRIS0068632  
BASELINE STUDIES FOR EVALUATING THE RESPONSE OF AN ECOSYSTEM TO THE INTRODUCTION OF WHITE AMUR

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01765 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the forcing functions, main energy flows, and variations in the important components in an aquatic ecosystem; construct and simulate a model which will incorporate these variables and which will include the possible effects of the introduction of white amur to the ecosystem; monitor the changes that actually do take place in an ecosystem when the fish is introduced, revising the model until it is a reasonable generalization of the ecosystem.

APPROACH: Baseline ecological data will be collected by state agencies on a lake into which the white amur will be introduced in the second year of the study. Models incorporating these data will predict the effects of the fish, and these models will be verified by continued data collection.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A model of Lake Conway, FL, was simulated with and without white amur present. If rates used in the model are accurate, the grazing food chain in this lake is slightly more important than the detritus food chain, and 10% of the gross primary productivity is grazed. One-quarter of the annual phosphorus input to the epilimnion comes from leaching and decay of submersed macrophytes. Simulated ranges of state variables were close to values measured in most cases. The model was stable during a simulation representing ten years. After two years, simulated addition of white amur (7000 fish, each weighing 458g) decreased submersed macrophyte biomass to 60% of its normal peak biomass. Water quality improved, gross primary productivity and community respiration decreased, and the relative importance of the grazing food chain increased. Biomass of benthic invertebrates and secondary predator fish increased. Addition of half as many fish five years after the first introduction brought about the same degree of macrophyte control, but recovery was more rapid.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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ECOLOGICAL STUDY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA AFTER INTRODUCTION OF WHITE AMUR (CTENOPHARYNGODON IDELLA)

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01748 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 75 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Monitor the influence of stocked white amur on water chemistry and biological organisms in Lake Wales. Establish the rate of change in these parameters.

APPROACH: Limnological survey of the lake will be conducted. This will include sampling water, benthos, zooplankton, phytoplankton, and sediment. Samples will be collected monthly.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During the study period, 1977-1979, hydrilla cover increased from 48.9% during May, 1978 to 80.9% by September, 1979. Water quality determinations (chloride, sulfate, conductivity, chlorophyll a and turbidity) did not display seasonal differences. Calcium, magnesium, total iron, potassium, nitrate, nitrogen and ammonia levels fluctuated seasonally exhibiting negative correlations with the amount of hydrilla. Sodium, orthophosphate and total phosphate levels did not exhibit seasonal and chronological changes. Phytoplankton populations can be described by the following generalizations: seasonal periodicity was constant from year to year; seasonal changes were repetitive from year to year on a short-term basis; and seasonal changes in frequency and concentrations were minimal. Zooplankton populations exhibited seasonal differences and as hydrilla abundance increased greater numbers of littoral species were encountered. Benthic organisms exhibited significant seasonal changes, however, these changes were minimal. Generally, benthic numbers decreased as hydrilla increased. Previous studies have shown that hydrilla supports organisms that are normally found in the benthic community. Bluegill, redear sunfish and largemouth bass condition factors changed little during the study. It is doubtful that the hydrilla infestation during this study was sufficient to cause severe changes in conditions. Grass carp growth rates were good from 1974-1978.

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004.048 CRIS0079914  
THE ECOLOGICAL IMPACT OF INTEGRATED CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL AQUATIC WEED CONTROL

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01987 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 78 To 31 DEC 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the impact of chemical/biological control on the fishery environment, and to ascertain the most desirable balance of vegetation versus open water that will maintain desirable water quality, fish growth and reproduction. Evaluate the feasibility of combining chemical and biological weed control in a natural lake and determine cost benefit ratios. Determine the effects of dense submersed aquatic weed growth on the recreational utilization, fish production and water quality of shallow inland Florida lakes.

APPROACH: Two lakes and 24 ponds will be utilized to test the above objectives, water quality, fish population, benthos, zooplankton, and phytoplankton will be analyzed in each habitat.

004.049\* CRIS0080007  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND WEED MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES UTILIZING GRASS CARP (CTENOPHARYNGODON IDELLA)



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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01986 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 24 JUL 79 To 31 OCT 81

OBJECTIVES: Impact assessment of grass carp on the Lake Wales ecosystem. Determine management strategies for vegetation control utilizing grass carp. Develop methods for selective removal of grass carp from Lake Wales.

APPROACH: Standard field and laboratory methods will be utilized. See attached proposal.

004.050 CRIS0012468  
RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN PESTICIDES AND GEORGIA FARM POND ECOSYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: GEO00392 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 04 FEB 66 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Design and construct an automatic intermittent flow proportional diluter system capable of simultaneously delivering to test aquaria three different concentrations of each of two contaminants and all possible cross combinations. Determine the rates and sites of accumulation and the physiological effects of different combination and concentrations of methyl parathion and toxaphene on the bluegill.

APPROACH: With the use of the diluter system different groups of bluegill will be exposed to various combinations and concentrations of methyl parathion and toxaphene. Some groups of bluegill will be exposed to the insecticides for short term (56 hr) acute toxicity tests; others will be exposed for periods of 6 weeks to determine uptake rates, principal sites of storage, and long term effects on such parameters as growth, behavior, and mixed function oxidase activity.

PROGRESS: 76/06 TO 81/09. During the past 5 years the following studies have been done under this research project. A study which concerned the design of a proportional diluter to deliver combinations of contaminants to fish, and the use of this diluter to assess the effects of various combinations of concentrations of toxaphene and methyl parathion on bluegill. Two studies concerning the applicability of using gill histology as an "early warning" technique for assessing the effects of contaminants of farm pond fishes; a study that concerned the design and use of a small heart rate transmitter to measure heart rate as a physiological indicator of stress; a study of the capacity of farm pond fishes to acclimate to changes in pH in the laboratory and the field; a study concerning the use of adenylate energy charge as a measure of stress in farm pond fishes; a study of the odd-even food chain concept using algae, Daphnia, and fathead minnows. Because of the replacement of most of the insecticides that have been demonstrated to be harmful to fishes with less harmful materials we are terminating this project as of 9/30/81. However, because of the increasing threat of contaminants other than insecticides to farm pond fishes, we have initiated a new Hatch project entitled "Effects of Environmental Contaminants on Georgia Farm Pond Fishes".

PUBLICATIONS: 76/06 TO 81/09

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STRINGER, G.I. 1979. The effects of an anionic detergent on the gill tissue morphology of sheepshead minnows, *Cyprinodon variegatus*. (Abstract) Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Electron Microscope Society, Athens, GA. 1979.

CULBERTSON, J.C. 1979. Electron microscope observations of the gills of weakfish, *Cynoscion regalis* and spot, *Leiostomus xanthurus*. (Abstract) Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Electron Microscope Society, Athens, GA. 1979.

MUDRE, J.W. 1979. Some effects of surgical implantation of transmitters on the physiology and behavior of channel catfish.

004.051 CRIS0083648  
EFFECTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINANTS ON GEORGIA FARM POND FISHES

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Proj. No.: GEC00738 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 81 To 31 JAN 84

OBJECTIVES: Refine an adenylate (ATP, ADP, AMP) assay procedure for determining energy charge (ATP + 1/2 ADP divided by ATP + ADP + AMP) in farm pond fishes; Test the applicability of energy charge as a sensitive indicator of stress caused by various contaminants and water quality parameters associated with agricultural and forestry practices; Determine the capacity of farm pond fishes to acclimate to changes in pH.

APPROACH: In our Whitehall Laboratory energy charge values will be determined for fishes that are stressed by handling, by changes in temperature and dissolved oxygen, and by exposure to sublethal concentrations of insecticides and herbicides. Fishes will be tested using static and flow-through bioassay tests; Fish from low and neutral pH environments will be tested by first exposing them to a series of pHs and then transferring them directly to aquaria adjusted to low pH levels. For each acclimation group, median resistance time determined by probit transformation will be plotted against pH.

004.052 CRIS0077715  
OYSTER PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENT

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Proj. No.: HAW00528-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop a system for flushing and cleaning stacked oyster trays of pseudofeces; ideally without breaking open the stacks.

APPROACH: In depth review of literature covering applicable methods and technology. Determine physical and hydraulic properties of oyster at different stages of growth. Design and testing of prototype equipment.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A prototype oyster cleaning and sorting equipment was designed and constructed. Preliminary tests were conducted on the mechanical oyster cleaner by varying the oyster feed rate, water flow rate, and water pressure. It was found that the oyster cleaner provides satisfactory cleaning for oysters of length greater than 2.5 cm (1 inch). It can clean 250 marketable oysters per minute (about 30 bushels per hour or 680 kg per hour). A water flow rate of greater than 1.58 L/s (25 GPM) and a water pressure of 103 kPa (15 psi) are required. It was found that a 6-inch diameter by 50-foot long parallel rollers can effectively size artificially grown oysters. The prototype sizer can size oysters satisfactorily at a feed rate of 200 marketable oysters per minute (about 24 bushels per hour or 540 kg per hour) at a roller inclination of 175 rad (10 degrees).

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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AQUACULTURAL WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION IN  
HAWAII

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Proj. No.: BAW00531-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Characterize effluent quality (organics and inorganics) of aquacultural pond; determine the role of oxygen demand in the water column of the pond; explore the appropriate control of oxygen concentration in the pond; explore the appropriate treatment alternatives in order to control water quality and water reuse of pond effluent.

APPROACH: Establishment of data collection plan, sample collection and analysis of wastewater characterization. Conduct oxygen demand study in the field and laboratory and establishment of the relationship between oxygen consumption rate and available oxygen demand material in the pond. Search available techniques and develop new ways to control oxygen level in the pond. Conduct laboratory and pilot plant study on the treatment alternative for water quality control and water reuse of pond effluent.

PROGRESS: 80/03 TO 80/12. Investigations were conducted into the qualitative and quantitative nature of the water column oxygen demand of prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*) grow-out ponds. It was found that the water column oxygen demand represented between 48 to 87% of the total pond oxygen loss at night. A good correlation existed between the oxygen uptake rate and the total COD, particulate COD, suspended solids, volatile suspended solids and secchi disk depth measurements of the water column. Water quality management guidelines and procedures regarding oxygen demand in the pond were developed. This will provide a more positive control of the causes of oxygen depletion in the prawn production ponds and reduce the damage of cost of prawn production. Characterization of effluent quality (organics and inorganics) of aquacultural pond and the appropriate treatment alternatives for controlling water quality and water reuse of pond effluent are under investigation.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/03 TO 80/12

LCSC&DO, T.M. 1980. An Investigation of the oxygen Demand Materials of the Water Column in Prawn Grow-out Ponds. M.S. Thesis, Univ. of Hawaii, Honolulu, 100 pp.

004.054 CRIS0082666  
EXAMINATION OF THE SPAWNING ECOLOGY AND EARLY LIFE  
HISTORY OF KOKANEE SALMON IN COEUR D'ALENE LAKE

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0073 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUN 79 To 30 MAY 81

OBJECTIVES: Examine the ecology of shoreline spawning kokanee in Coeur d'Alene Lake and where needed, supplement this work with observations in Priest and Pend Oreille Lakes; examine spawning success, fry growth and mortality of shoreline spawning kokanee; evaluate behavior and recruitment of young-of-the-year shoreline spawning kokanee.

APPROACH: Underwater diving and surface examination of suspected spawning areas will be conducted during the spawning period to obtain data on timing and physical characteristics of the habitat. Fertilized embryos will be placed in hatching boxes to assess spawning success. Fry traps will be positioned over known embryo concentrations to quantify fry emergence. Trawling will be conducted to evaluate concentrations of fry and timing and period of recruitment of pelagic waters.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Trawling for juvenile kokanee in Coeur d'Alene Lake suggested that the majority of spawning activity was occurring in the northeast part of the lake. Preliminary data

indicated that recruitment to pelagic waters occurred shortly after emergence; emergence occurred over a prolonged period of time from late spring to early summer. Data also suggested significant higher growth rates in juvenile fish from Coeur d'Alene Lake as compared to Pend Oreille Lake. Observations of spawning ecology revealed that kokanee were spawning at significant depths (15 m) along rip-rapped shorelines in Coeur d'Alene Lake. Natural spawning occurred over a large, irregular gravel substrate and that some fish were not constructing well defined redds as reported previously for this species. Embryos planted in Whitlock-Vihert boxes demonstrated that hatching and emergence success was highest over man-altered fill areas. Emergence success in "natural" areas was considered low. Daily growth estimates are being made by examination of otoliths which should provide additional information on abundance and survival of juvenile kokanee.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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JUVENILE EMIGRATION OF LAHONTAN CUTTHROAT TROUT IN  
THE TRUCKEE-PYRAMID LAKE SYSTEM

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0062 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 CCT 78 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop a comprehensive bibliography on timing and factors affecting salmonid fish emigration with particular reference to cutthroat trout; determine the timing and factors related to juvenile Lahontan cutthroat trout (*Salmo clarki henshawi*) emigration in the Truckee River basin and determine the impact of predators on plants of juvenile Lahontan cutthroat trout.

APPROACH: Juvenile cutthroat trout have been introduced in natural and artificial stream channels at different densities under normal levels of predation and no predation and their movements monitored daily through the use of traps. Observations are being made on fish distribution, critical habitat and response to varying environmental conditions.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Lahontan cutthroat trout fry were planted in artificial and natural stream channels at 1, 5 and 10 fish/m<sup>2</sup> to evaluate factors affecting the timing of migration and population responses to high densities. Fish were planted in early July 1978 and 1980 and traps were maintained into November when freezing temperatures precluded further trapping. Emigration of fry were correlated with increased discharges. Cutthroat trout were found to emigrate from the natural stream channel nearly every month of the year with greatest movement in the spring. Predation by resident brown, brook and rainbow trout was found to significantly affect the density of cutthroat juveniles in the stream channels. Densities of less than 1 fish/2 m<sup>2</sup> were common in predator free channels and about half this number in channels with predators.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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EFFECT OF PEAKING POWER GENERATION ON FISH

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0063 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 23 FEB 79 To 28 FEB 81

OBJECTIVES: Assess the status of the warmwater fishery and determine the potential of improving warmwater fish habitat in lower Snake River reservoirs for the Snake River compensation plan. Subobjective: Assess angler use and fishery characteristics in the lower Snake reservoirs aerial and ground surveys will be employed. anglers will be



interviewed to assess their attitudes and preferences.

**APPROACH:** Resident fishes will be collected by various appropriate techniques to assess species composition, relative abundance and habitat associations. Some of the collected fish are dissected to obtain information on the ecology of selected species while other fish are released with individually numbered tags for later identification if recaptured by sports fishermen or by researchers. Data interpretation and recommendations will be made regarding the potential of improving warmwater fish habitat in lower Snake reservoirs.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Preliminary results of fish collections and assessing angler use in lower Snake reservoirs has revealed a significantly sports fishery for several species of introduced warmwater fish. Their period from March-May received the most intense fishing pressure. Angling success was highly variable but averaged 0.5 fish/hour. Twenty-five species of fish representing 9 families were collected in lower Snake reservoirs. Largescale suckers were the most abundant species followed by northern squawfish, bridgeline sucker, white crappie, yellow perch and carp. A few differences in species composition were found among five representative habitat types in Little Goose Reservoir. Water level fluctuations of 1.5 m were found to expose spawning nests and expose embryos to desiccation of shoreline spawning fishes. Data analysis is continuing to further assess the status of the warmwater fishery in the lower Snake reservoirs. Crayfish was the dominant forage species for predator species while crappies fed primarily upon zooplankton. Channel catfish and smallmouth bass were the two predatory resident species which consumed anadromous salmonid smolts during the spring emigration of smolts from the Snake River.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

BENNETT, D.E., BRATOVICH, P.M., HANSEL, B., KNOX, W. and PALMER, D. 1980. Status of the Warmwater Fishery and the Potential of Improving Warmwater Fish Habitat in the Lower Snake Reservoirs. Annual Rept. U.S. Army Corps of

004.057\* CRIS0069627  
**CARRYING CAPACITY OF STREAMS FOR BEARING SALMONIDS AS AFFECTED BY SEDIMENT & OTHER COMPONENTS**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0031 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUN 74 TO 30 SEP 78

**OBJECTIVES:** Assess the density (#/m<sup>2</sup>) of juvenile anadromous salmonids in selected forest streams of central Idaho; relate stream morphometry, cover, temperature, insect drift, numbers of cohabiting fish species, seeding rate (stock recruitment), and fish growth to numbers of juvenile anadromous salmonids; determine effects of a point influx of sediment on fish density; evaluate the usefulness of fall weir counts in determination of fish abundance.

**APPROACH:** Artificial channels will be employed in assessing the effect of seeding rate on salmonid abundance. Estimation of stream variables and fish abundance and growth will be made on Marsh Creek, Cape Horn Creek, Knapp Creek and Middle Fork on the Salmon River. Models for explaining fish abundance will be formulated and tested.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1974, 1975, and 1976, we sampled Beaver, Cape Horn, Elk, Knapp and Marsh Creeks in the Central Idaho batholith and conducted experiments in artificial stream channels at Hayden Creek Research Station, Idaho, to determine their carrying capacity for rearing juvenile spring chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) and related factors. We utilized a transect method to measure stream physical parameters, snorkeling gear to facilitate counting of fish, fish weirs to enumerate pre-smolt chinook migrating downstream, and 30 m<sup>3</sup> of granitic sand dumped into Knapp Creek to assess sediment effects on fish abundance. We released

juvenile chinook from Rapid River Hatchery into Cape Horn, Knapp, and Marsh creeks after various treatments of predator and resident chinook population removal to help define carrying capacity. We also placed chinook population removal to help define carrying capacity. We also placed chinook fry into artificial stream channels to help assess the effects of weeding rate (egg deposition or juvenile plants) and water temperature on fish abundance. Numerical and biomass densities of age 0 chinook salmon in stream sites averaged 0.42 fish/m<sup>2</sup> and 1.51 g/m<sup>2</sup>. The maximum average densities observed in naturally seeded streams were 0.48 fish/m<sup>2</sup> and 2.29 g/m<sup>2</sup>, compared to 1.38 fish/m<sup>2</sup> and 5.42 g/m<sup>2</sup> in sites of Cape Horn Creek, where I stocked juvenile chinook salmon.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

SEKULICH, P.T. 1980. The Carrying Capacity of Infertile Forest Streams for Rearing Juvenile Chinook Salmon. University of Idaho. Ph.D. Dissertation, 156 pp.

SEKULICH, P.T. and BJORN T.C. 1977. The Carrying Capacity of Streams for Rearing Salmonids as Affected by Components of the Habitat. Completion Report to Memo of Understanding No. 12-11-204-11 to U.S. Forest Service, 79 pp.

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**WILD VERSUS HATCHERY TROUT**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0066 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JAN 79 TO 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine effect of stocking catchable-size trout on the abundance of wild trout. Investigate competition and survival under predation of wild and hatchery fry, over-winter survival and behavior and length of hatchery experience required to alter fry behavior.

**APPROACH:** Plants of rainbow trout will be made for 2 years into several sections of a stream and wild trout abundance and movement will be assessed. Short-term abundance and behavior of wild and hatchery trout will be observed in a second stream. Experiments with fry will be conducted in artificial stream channels.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. For the past two years we have been studying interactions of wild and hatchery trout in two Idaho streams; the infertile St. Joe River and the productive Big Springs Creek, tributary to the Lemhi River. To date, we have found no evidence that single plants of hatchery-reared, catchable-size rainbow trout displace wild resident trout. Study of effects of repeated plants is in progress. Behavioral differences of wild and hatchery rainbow trout are being studied in experimental stream channels.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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**EFFECTS OF CHRONIC TURBIDITY ON SOCIAL COMBUST IN JUVENILE STEELHEAD TROUT AND COHO SALMON**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0067 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 08 FEB 78 TO 30 MAY 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine if chronic turbidity interferes with feeding of age 0 steelhead and coho salmon, if turbidity does interfere with feeding, then determine if interference with feeding reduces growth of age 0 steelhead trout and coho salmon, if growth is reduced, determine if age 0 fish from turbid water streams are less able to secure and defend territories and otherwise compete in downstream rearing areas.

**APPROACH:** We conducted tests at two facilities using fireclay and bentonite clay to generate turbidities in the 22-200 NTU range. We subjected steelhead trout and coho salmon alevins to varying levels of turbidity (contrasted with clear water control) and monitored growth differences based on total length and weight changes. We also calculated daily weight and length changes. After a period of growth, we marked one of the two groups of fish and combined all survivors in a single clear water test unit to determine the effect of rearing in turbid water on social contest ability. Numbers of out migrants of both turbid and clear water reared fish were recorded in both test phases.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Many small, intermittent West Coast streams are important spawning grounds for species of anadromous salmonids. Chronic turbidity in these streams during fry emergence and rearing period could affect the numbers and quality of fry emigrating from these streams. Laboratory tests were conducted in three facilities over a two-year period to determine the effect of chronic turbidity on feeding, growth and social interactions of steelhead trout (*Salmo gairdneri* Richardson) and coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch* Walbaum). Differences in feeding capability and growth between fish reared in clear water (zero turbidity) and fish reared in varying levels of clay generated turbidity were indirectly assessed by measuring differences in the size related variables of condition factor, ending weight and length and mean daily weight and length increases. The two groups of fish were compared for each series of tests. Differences in the effects of the two types of rearing environment were also assessed by counting the numbers of emigrants from the clear and turbid water test units. Differences between the two groups of fish with respect to competitive ability were assessed by combining survivors of the growth phase from both clear and turbid water channels and counting the percentages of clear and turbid water reared fish that emigrated after agonistic encounters had occurred. Fish reared in clear water were notably larger and increased more rapidly in both weight and length than fish reared in turbid water.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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SIGLER, J.W. and BJORNEN, T.C. 1980. Effects of Chronic Turbidity on Feeding, Growth and Social Behavior of Steelhead Trout and Coho Salmon. Final Report for Memorandum of Agreement 12-11-204-11, Supplement No. 75. College of

004.060 CRIS0082661  
A STUDY OF FISH RESOURCES OF THE GOSPEL HUMP AREA

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0068 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 05 APR 79 To 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** What quantity and quality of habitat is available to resident and anadromous fish in Gospel-Hump area study streams? What species of resident and anadromous fish are present, what types of habitat are they using and what are their present and potential densities in various habitat types in Gospel-Hump area streams? What is the potential yield of resident and anadromous fish from Gospel-Hump area streams? What differences are there in fish abundance and habitat quality between undisturbed Gospel-Hump drainages compared to nearby drainages compared to nearby drainages with logging and roading activities similar to those proposed.

**APPROACH:** Streams will be stratified into five habitat types (pool, riffle, run, pocketwater, backwater) and fish densities will be observed via snorkeling in each habitat type. Ten sites per km of stream length will be selected randomly. Habitat typing and relative habitat quality will be based on measurements (depth, width, surface velocity, substrate composition, instream and riparian cover)

taken across a habitat transect (stream profile) at each site. An entire stream section will be photographed with large-scale (1:3000) color aerial photography to aid in measuring total surface area. Estimates of total fish numbers will be calculated from observed fish densities and total areas for each habitat type.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During the past year we initiated research to quantify the present and potential fish populations (both resident and anadromous species) in three undeveloped and three developed watersheds. This research will provide information for a model which will predict the effects of forest management activities on the fishery resource. We have identified five habitat types (pool, riffle, run, pocketwater, and backwater), observed fish densities (fish/m<sup>2</sup>) via snorkeling in each habitat type to quantify and qualify available habitat, and will estimate total numbers of fish for each stream section. One of our study streams was photographed using large-scale (1:3000) color aerial photography techniques to measure total surface area. Fish migrations, movements, and habitat use will be monitored for 3 years. We will quantify changes in aquatic habitat, and utilize a sediment routing model to predict changes in fish populations resulting from various forest management activities.

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COEUR D'ALENE RIVER FISHERIES INVESTIGATIONS

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Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate the status and stability of the fish populations in the Coeur d'Alene River. Identify factors which may limit the successful use of special regulations to maintain or restore west slope cutthroat trout populations. Make management recommendations based upon prior knowledge and data gathered from this study.

**APPROACH:** Conduct creel census to obtain estimates of harvest, effort, angling trends, angler satisfaction, regulation compliance, etc. Use direct underwater census on a continuous basis to monitor relative changes in abundance and gross movement patterns. Use weirs, tags and specific observation to monitor movements and other behavior.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The increasing interest to maintain native wild trout populations has created new challenges in sport fishery management. The immediate and most popular solution has been to restrict the methods of angling. Most initial studies reveal that such special regulations successfully reduces total mortality due to reduction in angling mortality. Consequently, restrictive angling regulations are becoming widespread as a management tool to maintain or salvage depleted stocks. More recent evidence, however, suggests that special restrictive regulations may not have the universal effect anticipated. Preliminary investigation of the Coeur d'Alene River stocks suggests a failure in the use of special regulations to restore the depleted cutthroat trout population. Major emphasis of this study is to identify factors which may be limiting the success of special regulations as an effective management tool. Possible sociological in addition to biological constraints are being investigated.

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EFFECTS OF ADDITIONAL PEAKING FROM A FOURTH GENERATOR AT DWORSHAK DAM IN CATCHABILITY, ETC.



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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0075 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: To assess the effects of peaking flows and ramp rate on fish movements and distribution, suitability of the river for fishing, and catchability of steelhead in the Clearwater River.

APPROACH: Flows and flow changes simulating those from an additional generator at Dworshak Dam were scheduled during the fall and winter of 1980-81. Fish movements were traced with radio tags and census was used to monitor angler use and success rates.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The Corps of Engineers is proposing an additional generator to be used for power peaking at Dworshak Dam. The addition of a fourth generator would increase daily discharges during peaking operations from the present 10-11,000 cfs to 16-17,000 cfs. The objective of this study is to evaluate the effect of daily peaking on steelhead trout behavior and steelhead trout fishermen. Radio transmitters were implanted in 17 steelhead during September, 1980 with additional transmitters implanted during the fall and winter. These fish will be monitored to evaluate their behavior during different peaking regimes. A special creel census (with hired anglers) will be conducted to evaluate fish catchability during both peaking flows. We will also determine the effects of the daily timing of the peak flows and daily rate of change in flows to see what conditions might provide the best fishing. Active research in progress.

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SPAWNING, EARLY LIFE HISTORY, HABITAT SELECTION OF  
NORTHERN SQUAWFISH: INFER. TO COLORADO SQUAWFISH

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0076 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 15 APR 80 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: To describe for northern squawfish (*Ptychocheilus oregonensis*): spawning biology including seasonal and daily timing, characteristics of preferred spawning sites, spawning behavior, age structure and gonadal development patterns; early life history including food habits, daily activity patterns and monthly growth rates; habitat selection, daily activity and seasonal movement patterns.

APPROACH: Most of the project involves faceplate observations and river mapping. In addition, adults are gill netted to ascertain movements and spawning population characteristics and young are seined for food habit examination. Results are compared between fish from the St. Joe River between St. Joe City and Avery and the Clearwater River below Lenore. Other river sections are sometimes included.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Selected aspects of the life history and behavior of northern squawfish (*Ptychocheilus oregonensis*) were studied in populations in the St. maries, St. Joe and Clearwater Rivers of north Idaho during 1980 in the first half of a two-year study. Large schools of spawning fish were located and spawning behavior was described in detail. Spawning sites were described and compared and size, age and gonadal development patterns in the spawning populations were also examined. Development of young-of-the-year squawfish was monitored for one year and growth rates were determined. Food habits were examined in detail at intervals until one year of age. Habitats selected by all sizes of northern squawfish in the lower fastwater area of the St. Joe River during summer low flows were described and compared.

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HABITAT SELECTION AND SPECIES INTERACTIONS OF  
JUVENILE TROUT IN FLATHEAD RIVER TRIBUTARIES

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0079 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 MAY 80 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine habitat utilized by juvenile bull trout and cutthroat trout. Evaluate species interactions between juvenile bull trout and cutthroat trout.

APPROACH: Utilized habitat will be quantified at 2 levels, macro and micro. Macro refers to the habitat unit, pool riffle or run, that juvenile fish are using. Micro refers to the exact location within the habitat unit an individual fish has chosen. Habitat units will be examined in large and small streams. Allopatric and sympatric situations will be sought.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Migratory populations of cutthroat and bull trout utilize the upper portion of the Flathead River drainage for spawning and rearing. Many of the major tributaries to the upper forks of the river drain National Forest or British Columbia forest lands. These public lands are being investigated for coal, oil, and gas development. The potential impacts of these developments on the adjacent waters and ensuing effects on the Flathead fishery is of concern to the Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. Although habitat assessments, fish distribution and fish abundance data is available, the question of habitat selection remains unclear. The study is being conducted to better define the habitat selection of cutthroat and bull trout. Study has not been completed nor has data been compiled and processed.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION OF HABITAT-STANDING CROP  
FUNCTIONS FOR STREAM FISH AND THEIR FOODS

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0081 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 MAR 83

OBJECTIVES: The current objective of the fisheries portion of the study is to incorporate instream cover density into our emerging habitat-standing crop function in an effort to quantify the way it modifies the carrying capacity of streams undergoing progressive dewatering. Determine impact of reduced flow on aquatic insects, especially the dewatered zone.

APPROACH: Our approach is the stocking/emigration technique, with experimental (progressively dewatered) and control channels (constant flow) each containing subsections with varying densities of instream cover. Following pre-planned series of flow reductions, subsections are isolated with block nets and electrofished to determine fish distribution. Sample before and after flow reduction.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Three reduced stream discharge experiments were completed during 1980. These experiments were carried out at the Troy Instream Flow Research Facilities in Wallowa County, Oregon. The experiments were conducted to supplement information on the base line response of fish and aquatic macroinvertebrates to reduced stream discharge. This information will be used to develop habitat-standing crop functions, which will enable prediction of the reduced stream discharge response of fish and macroinvertebrates in reconstructed experimental channels at the Troy facilities. The reconstruction of the channels was completed by December 1980, and consisted of a change in the

channel configuration that was predicted to result in maximal change in those habitat parameters most closely associated with the aquatic organisms response to reduced stream discharge.

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LIMNOLOGICAL PARAMETERS

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0059 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 MAY 77 TO 01 MAY 80

OBJECTIVES: Assess the effect of low pool levels on selected limnological parameters. Temperature, dissolved oxygen, hydrogen sulfide, transparency, algal nutrients, algae and primary production in Dworshak Reservoir during the drought summer of 1977.

APPROACH: Compare limnological data from low runoff, drought year to limnological conditions from 1972-75. The draw-down reservoir was sampled monthly from May through November 1977 at both inshore and mid-channel sites.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Prominent limnological features of Dworshak Reservoir, a 200 meter deep oligotrophic impoundment in North Idaho were investigated in 1977, an extreme low flow year. Average reservoir retention time of 304 days increased to 634 days in water year 1977. Despite the high retention time, water quality and production characteristics of the reservoir were still determined primarily by influent quality and ambient temperatures. Minimum oxygen levels were 35% saturation at 200 m. Epilimnial temperatures through the Summer of 1977 were 22-24 C but low nutrient loading limited algal and zooplankton production to oligo-mesotrophic levels.

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SPOKANE RIVER LIMNOLOGY

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0084 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 FEB 80 TO 31 JUL 81

OBJECTIVES: To determine the composition of the aquatic communities of the Spokane River (the 12-mile long outlet arm of Coeur d'Alene Lake) in north Idaho in response to upstream metals loading and sewage discharges to the study reach.

APPROACH: Parameters studied include phytoplankton growth in relation to nutrient addition and metals chelation, sediment composition and macrophyte distribution. Phytoplankton abundance was severely limited in Lake Coeur d'Alene outlet waters by high ambient concentrations of zinc and other heavy metals in the water column. Such inhibition has apparently been in effect since the initiation of sulfide ore mining in the watershed nearly 100 years ago. Experimental algal yields were 48% to 88% below predicted yields based on nutrient concentrations alone. Treatment with sodium salt of EDTA permitted higher algal response and showed the waters to be mesotrophic and primarily phosphorus-limited. Zooplankton and benthos communities in the Spokane River were also depressed below normal mesotrophic levels with both diversity and biomass quite low.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The biotic communities of a 12-mile reach of the Spokane River were described in relation to upstream metals loading and municipal sewage discharges to the study reach. Phytoplankton and attached benthic algae production is severely depressed by upstream zinc loading. Benthic invertebrate composition diversity was low, as was total number. Despite a well-washed river bottom of

sand, cobble, and coarse logging debris (bark), benthic communities were dominated by forms apparently relying on heterotrophic organic inputs.

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STEELHEAD HATCHERY AS AFFECTED BY RELATIVELY HIGH TEMPERATURE WATER

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0083 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 05 JUN 80 TO 14 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: To demonstrate that steelhead trout from Wallawa can be raised in 15 C water from the first feeding fry stage through smoltification.

APPROACH: Three raceways - two in series and one single-pass - will be stocked with several thousand steelhead first-feeding fry. The growth of the fish will be monitored and forecasting using computerized models. In addition, water chemistry parameters will be monitored and evaluated for their effect on growth and growth rates.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During the first six months of this study, three groups of steelhead trout were monitored for growth rates and length frequency distribution within groups. The groups were designated: A (large fish), B (medium fish), and C (small fish). Each group was set on a feeding schedule designed to permit it to have an average 5.5/lb size by mid-April 1981. Thus far, the growth data indicate that this approach is feasible. The dietary efficiencies and growth rates have been within 3% of the predicted values.

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BIOFILTER PERFORMANCE FACTORS

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0060 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUL 77 TO 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Identify and evaluate the effect(s) of the following factors on nitrification capabilities of biological filters: Alkalinity, pH, calcium and magnesium hardness, dissolved oxygen, water flow rates, ammonia-nitrogen, nitrite-nitrogen and nitrate-nitrogen.

APPROACH: Duplicate fish-free biological filtration systems will be established. The chemical parameters will be evaluated dairy pre- and post-feeding with ammonia-nitrogen.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This study arose out of serious questions being asked about the performance of biofiltration systems at the Dworshak National Fish Hatchery. Experiments were designed and executed to determine the inorganic and organic requirements for the microbial nitrification process. The foregoing data were acquired in a fish-free system fed with measured amounts of the chemicals evaluated. Towards the end of the study, fish, steelhead trout, were put into the systems and monitored for physiological conditions such as gill lamellar configurations and growth rates. The study was necessarily short term - 6 weeks - but at the end the fish were all in good condition.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

LAI, K.V. and KLCNTZ, G.W. 1980. Evaluation of Environmental and Nutritional Factors Influencing the Performance of the Biofilters in Fish Rearing Systems: Final Report. Walla Walla Distr. Corps of Engineers, Tech. Compl. Rept. on



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**DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF A METHODOLOGY FOR RECOMMENDING SALMONID EGG INCUBATION FLOWS**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0068

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: OCI

Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 APR 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop a usable methodology for recommending egg incubation flows for select salmonid fish species in Idaho. Assess the effects of dewatering and low flow on the egg environment and on egg survival. Experimentally compare flow requirements of different developmental stages of salmonid eggs. Measure physical and hydraulic parameters associated with natural redds whereby spawning criteria can be developed for important salmonid species of Idaho.

**APPROACH:** Objectives 1-3 were conducted in experimental channels available at the Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game Hayden Creek Research Station and at the University of Idaho's fishery wet lab. Both green and eyed eggs of chinook salmon, steelhead and cutthroat trout were utilized in tests designed to compare egg survival in conditions of varying streamflow and different sediment levels. Objective 4 entailed locating active matured redds of spring chinook, summer chinook, steelhead and dolly varden trout and measuring their associated physical and hydraulic parameters (e.g. water depth, water velocity, reed area, substrate composition).

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. From 1977-1979 field and laboratory tests were conducted to determine the impacts of streamflow reduction over redds on salmonid embryo incubation and fry quality. Laboratory tests were conducted in artificial stream channels located at the Hayden Creek Research Station and in incubation chambers installed in the University of Idaho fisheries wet lab. Field tests were designed to evaluate the effects of reducing depths and velocities over redds on spring chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) and steelhead trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) embryo incubation success and resulting alevins. Sediment size and level was incorporated into the test design. Measurements on 104 spring chinook salmon redds, 50 summer chinook salmon, redds, and 89 summer steelhead trout redds were taken and spawning criteria developed. Reduction in streamflow over redds containing sediment (<0.84 mm) in quantities from 3-13% resulted in increased embryo mortality with greatest increases associated with levels of 7% sediment, 0.84 mm. Flow reductions retarded development of embryos resulting in alevins which were shorter and lighter at time of hatching. Flow reductions made during early embryonic development may result in higher mortality than if made after the circulatory system is functional (approximate time of eye-up). Sediment was inversely related to embryo survival but unrelated to alevin quality. Sediment sizes <0.84 mm were the most deleterious to embryo survival.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**EFFECTS OF INCREASED FINE SEDIMENT ON INCUBATION AND EMERGENCE OF CHINOOK SALMON AND STEELHEAD TROUT**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0070

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: OCI

Period: 25 SEP 78 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** We plan to study the survival of salmon and steelhead eggs in various sediment mixtures. Our investigations should result in a reliable model to predict salmon and steelhead spawning success relative to stream bottom composition.

**APPROACH:** Measurements which describe the entire range of particles in spawning substrate should correlate with fish survival better than previously used point estimates (e.g. percent fines). First, we hope to find a way of accurately describing spawning

gravel using statistics from size frequency distributions. By relating sediment mixtures commonly found in streams to salmonid egg survival, we would be able to predict spawning success.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. By analyzing gravel samples from salmonid spawning areas, we found that the composition of spawning gravels follows a consistent pattern. For material less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) in diameter, the distribution of particles is close to lognormal and can be accurately represented as a straight line on log-probability paper. Based on this phenomena, we proposed a new method of describing spawning gravel quality; this new method uses two sieve sizes to closely approximate gravel composition. Laboratory incubation experiments with steelhead and salmon embryos were conducted at the University of Idaho to test whether or not our method provided a better measure of spawning gravel quality than "percent fines". Steelhead and salmon embryos were buried in a wide range of gravel mixtures, and emerging fry indicated percent survival in each mixture. Using a standard statistical package, we developed models relating steelhead and salmon embryo survival to two variables: percent of the substrate less than 9.50 mm and percent of substrate less than 0.85 mm. Using our method of describing spawning gravel, 90 to 92 percent of the variability in survival-to-emergence was correlated with change in gravel composition. "Percent fines" accounted for only 56 to 86 percent of the variation in survival in the same tests.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

TAPPEL, P.D. and T.C. BJORN. 1980. Effects of sediment composition on salmonid egg survival. Annual report for the period September 1979 through October 1980. Memorandum of Agreement Supplement Number 87 to 12-11-204-11.

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**THE IMPACT OF POWER PEAKING ON EGG INCUBATION OF FALL CHINOOK SALMON**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0072

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: OCI

Period: 10 OCT 78 To 30 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Assess the impacts of power peaking and the resulting fluctuating flows on the egg incubation and hatching success of fall chinook salmon in Hells Canyon. Experimentally compare the effects of dewatering and flow fluctuation on survival of various developmental stages of chinook eggs and on quality of fry and experimentally determine the tolerance limits of different developmental stages of eggs to varying periods of complete dewatering and associated effects of fry quality.

**APPROACH:** This portion of the study is being conducted on the Middle Snake River below Hells Canyon Dam where power peaking may pose a serious threat to the incubation and hatching of fall chinook eggs. Fall chinook eggs were placed in selected artificial and hatching of fall chinook eggs. Fall chinook eggs were placed in selected artificial redds which were, depending on location, dewatered frequently, infrequently or not at all (control). Egg survival will be assessed in early March. Objectives 2 and 3 utilized the field laboratory facilities located at Hayden Creek Research Hatchery. For objective 2, chinook eggs were planted in artificial redds in 2 simulated stream channels. Flows in one channel were subsequently fluctuated while the flow in the second channel remained constant. Objective 3 was achieved by using 16 one foot deep x one foot wide x four feet long gravel filled chambers. Each chamber contained 4, 100 egg lots which were removed at intervals of 1, 2, 3, and 4 weeks of dewatering.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During the fall and winter of 1979-80, tests were conducted in a section of the Middle Snake River within Hells Canyon to determine the effects of hydroelectric power peaking on fall chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) embryo incubation and fry quality. Additional simulated peaking tests were conducted at the Hayden Creek

Research Station using artificial stream channels. Steelhead trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) and chinook salmon egg dewatering tolerance tests were conducted at the Hayden Creek Station using 16 independent flow controllable chamber in Hells Canyon, no definitive relationship was found between embryo survival and the incidence of flow fluctuations and periodic redd exposure. However, the highest embryo survivals occur in areas dewatered the least. There was extensive sediment intrusion into the artificial fall chinook redds within Hells Canyon. In laboratory tests, no significant difference ( $P > 0.05$ ) in survival were found between embryos periodically dewatered (11-12 hr/day) and those continually watered, although alevins from the channel which was dewatered were significantly longer ( $P < 0.0037$ ) and heavier ( $P > 0.0391$ ) than alevins from the control. This resulted from elevated temperatures in the dewatered riffles. Steelhead trout and chinook salmon embryos were tolerant to 1-5 weeks of continuous dewatering with no significant effects on survival to hatching (provided embryos remained moist), alevin quality, growth rates or latent fry quality.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

REISER, DUDLEY W. and ROBERTS G. WHITE. 1981.

Effects of flow fluctuation and redd dewatering on salmonid embryo development and fry quality. Final report to Bonneville Power Administration. Contract No. DE-AC75-79BP10848.

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EFFECTS OF REDUCED STREAM DISCHARGE ON FISH AND AQUATIC MACROINVERTEBRATE POPULATIONS

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0071 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 SEP 77 To 30 APR 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the relationship between fish abundance and increments of reduced stream discharge, determine the response of aquatic macroinvertebrates to increments of reduced stream discharge, determine the order of importance of depth, velocity, cover and if possible, food in limiting fish abundance as affected by increments of reduced stream discharge, assess the primary hydraulic characteristics that are associated with low flow conditions and related biological conditions in a near natural study channel, evaluate the validity of certain predictive models currently being used to describe hydraulic characteristics associated with low-flow conditions, and assess the influence of low-flow conditions on motion of bed material which may affect the biological communities.

APPROACH: Select fish species will be stocked in two experimental stream channels. Flows will be incrementally reduced in one channel, while remaining constant in the other stream channel. Migration rates of fish out of each channel will be compared. Aquatic macroinvertebrate communities will be monitored by benthic and drift sampling. Hydraulic characteristics will be measured during each test flow.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. During the calendar year 1979 two experiments were completed; one during March-April and one during June-July. Important findings of these experiments are: 1) effect of reduced stream discharge on fish extend at least 3 weeks after initiation of flow reduction; 2) wild rainbow-steelhead trout were more severely affected by reduced stream discharge than were hatchery steelhead trout; 3) reduced stream discharge had the immediate effect of increasing aquatic insect drift density (#'s/n 3) but drift density returned to control levels in one week or less; 4) reduced stream discharge resulted in reduced invertebrate drift rates (#'s/hr), which lasted for the duration of tests. Specific effects on individual macroinvertebrate taxon are presently being analyzed as are size variation of fish in channels and direction of migration of the fish as related to flow levels. Hydraulic characteristics of experimental stream channels are being utilized to check the accuracy of the various predictive hydraulic models.

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EVALUATION OF METHODS FOR INCREASING NATIVE CUTTHROAT STOCKS IN NORTHERN IDAHO

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0003 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUL 66 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Ascertain ecological factors limiting production of cutthroat in northern Idaho. Develop management techniques to maximize production of cutthroat.

APPROACH: Survey St. Joe River drainage to locate cutthroat rearing areas and classify them as to quality. Study ecology of cutthroat trout with special emphasis on movements, growth, and seasonal distribution. Evaluate squawfish as a potential predator and competitor for cutthroat.

PROGRESS: 76/01 TO 76/12. We studied the fish and fisheries of three Northern Idaho streams to assess the impact of catch-and-release (Kelly Creek), trophy-fish (upper St. Joe River), and standard (North Fork of the Clearwater River) angling regulations on native cutthroat trout populations. Since the initiation of the special regulations, cutthroat abundance increased in Kelly Creek (7-fold) and the upper St. Joe River (3- to 7-fold), but has not changed on the North Fork. The mean size of the cutthroat, the number of large cutthroat, and the catch rate of cutthroat per hour have increased as a result of the special regulations. The annual mortality rates of cutthroat declined and allowed more cutthroat to mature and spawn. The catch of cutthroat by anglers increased, but the angler harvest of cutthroat decreased. Angler effort declined initially, but had recovered by 1975 to 20% of 1969 effort on Kelly Creek and to 100% of 1969 effort on the upper St. Joe River. Characteristics of anglers fishing Kelly Creek (angling method, age, sex, residency) and the upper St. Joe River (method, residency) changed since the special regulations. Tagged cutthroat migrated from the study areas to overwinter in the lower drainage and returned the following spring and early summer. Multiple recaptures of tagged cutthroat was common during the summer.

PUBLICATIONS: 76/01 TO 76/12

JOHNSON, T. B. and T. C. BJORN. Special angling regulations in the management of cutthroat trout in northern Idaho streams. Job Performance Report, Project F-59-R-7, Idaho Fish and Game Department. 1977.

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AQUATIC RESOURCES OF SILVER CREEK AT THE NATURE CONSERVANCY SITE

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0045 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 SEP 76 To 30 OCT 78

OBJECTIVES: Describe the aquatic ecosystem in Silver Creek at the Nature Conservancy site and in up and downstream sections of the stream; assess primary productivity as related to water chemistry, temperature, aquatic plants, nutrients from headwater streams and farmland runoff and to compare with other portions of the creek and with other streams. Assess abundance and distribution of aquatic insects and the role they play in stream ecosystems; assess abundance, distribution movements, age structure, recruitment and survival of juveniles and the effects of the fishery on the fish stocks in Silver Creek.

APPROACH: We will sample the aquatic insect and fish populations periodically and relate biota to water temperatures, nutrients and plant growth in Silver Creek. Maps of the plant communities will be prepared



as they develop through the summer, distribution and composition of insect and fish populations will be compared to plant distribution. Growth of fish in Silver Creek will be related to food available, time of year and other physical features.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Some of the aquatic resources of Silver Creek, a renowned trout stream in South Central Idaho, were studied on the Nature Conservancy section of the stream during 1977. The temperature range (average 10-12C, maximum 22C) was found to be good for production and growth of coldwater organisms. Stream discharge at Picabo was relatively stable in 1974-75 and 1975-76 (range 3-13 m<sup>3</sup>/sec). Stream discharge in 1976-1977 (low water year) ranged from 2-7.5m<sup>3</sup>/sec. Stream substrate consists of silt (including fine sands) and gravel with particle size less than 7 cm in diameter. Silt covered from 42 to 56% of the stream bottom during the year. Twenty-nine species of aquatic plants were found. Vegetation was most abundant in August, and least abundant in March. Thirty-one genera of algae which colonized on microscope slides were identified, of which Navicula, Fragillaria, and Gomphonema were the most abundant genera. Fifty-three families and seventy-eight genera of aquatic insects were identified. Six species of fish were present in the Nature Conservancy portion of the stream. In decreasing order of abundance these were rainbow trout (*Salmo gairdneri*), bridgeline suckers (*Catostomus columbianus*), longnose dace (*Rhynchichthys cataractae*), mountain whitefish (*Prosopium williamsi*), Wood River sculpin (*Cottus leopomus*) and brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*). Brown trout (*Salmo trutta*) and reddsideshiner (*Richardsonius balteatus*) were also present below Purdy's irrigation dam.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### LOWER SNAKE RIVER LIMNOLOGY

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Proj. No.: ILA-CFU-0048 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 14 MAY 75 To 30 SEP 78

OBJECTIVES: Describe the water quality of the lower Snake River as it flows through four sequential run-of-river impoundments; relate reservoir benthos to sediment composition and aquatic vasculars in the lower Snake River.

APPROACH: Year-round water quality and biota analyses are being made in the lower Snake River to relate open water and littoral communities to the changing water quality with passage through four reservoirs. Special attention is being given to the impact of fluctuating pool levels on the aquatic communities.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Limnological characteristics of the lower Snake River (150 mile reach from the Clearwater to the Columbia River) were studied from February 1975 to December 1978. The four lower Snake River reservoirs are flow-through pools which showed little thermal stratification or oxygen depletion. The reservoirs function as nutrient traps removing plant nutrients and other components of the dissolved load from the Snake River. Algal productivity likewise declined downstream with distance below nutrient inputs at the Snake-Clearwater confluence. Aquatic macrophytes were limited primarily by low light to 3 meters depth with the near surface band restricted by daily surface fluctuations.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### LIMNOLOGICAL EVALUATION AND ZOOPLANKTON DYNAMICS OF LAKE KOOCANUSA, NORTHWESTERN MONTANA

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0051 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 16 AUG 76 To 30 SEP 77

OBJECTIVES: Prepare a limnological description of Lake Koocanusa, Montana in the first four years after impoundment; describe the biomass and composition of zooplankton in Lake Koocanusa, Montana; relate zooplankton community characteristics to operation of the selective withdrawal system of Libby Dam.

APPROACH: A comprehensive study is being made of water quality and aquatic biological data collected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Geological Survey, and private contractors on Lake Koocanusa from 1972-1976. From this existing data, we will prepare an overview of the early limnology of Lake Koocanusa in the first four years after filling. Through a stratified random sampling regime of large volume metered flows, we are measuring zooplankton communities throughout Lake Koocanusa. Particular emphasis is being placed on population dynamics in water masses near the dam, those more susceptible to vertical mixing as a result of water withdrawal.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An extensive water quality data base collected from Lake Koocanusa in Northwestern Montana was analyzed to determine which limnological factors controlled primary productivity from initial impoundment in 1972 through 1975. Early predictions of eutrophic levels of algal production (based on N and P loading rates) were not achieved after impoundment. Data analysis showed that primary productivity was limited to oligotrophic values because phytoplankton photosynthesis was suppressed by physical limnological factors. Large scale water movements within the reservoir as a result of low hydraulic residence time and reservoir operations resulted in weakly developed thermoclines which were usually substantially deeper than the euphotic zone, thereby depressing phytoplankton productivity to oligotrophic levels. Circulation effects on photosynthesis were further compounded by highly turbid inflows received during annual reservoir filling. The nonconformity of Lake Koocanusa to its predicted eutrophic response to large loadings of nutrients suggests that caution be used in applying nutrient loading models to reservoirs with complex hydrodynamics.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### EFFECTS OF DISSOLVED CHEMICALS ON AQUATIC LIFE

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Proj. No.: IND059042 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 15 NOV 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the impact of selected municipal and industrial discharges on the productivity of fish, macroinvertebrates, and periphyton on the Wabash River system. To determine the long term influence of nutrient enrichment (cultural eutrophication) on the productivity and composition of lake communities, particularly those in the littoral zone.

APPROACH: Community productivity will be measured in the field through biomass estimates, photosynthetic rates, trophic relationships, and changes in species abundance. Physical and chemical water quality parameters will also be measured at the same locations. Emphasis will be placed on comparisons between stressed communities. Quantitative relationships between the concentration of dissolved chemicals and productivity will be tested in the laboratory.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. One of the most widespread pollutants in municipal and industrial wastewater is ammonia. Ammonia discharges occur at a number of points along the Wabash River in areas where our surveys have shown fish populations to be depressed. Industrial production is currently limited by the permissible ammonia loadings to the river, as stipulated by NPDES discharge permits. We are conducting laboratory bioassays to predict the concentration of ammonia toxic to warmwater fish during low flow conditions in the river. To date, species including white sucker, golden shiner, channel catfish, and bluegill have been tested in acute bioassays. Thirty-day embryo-larval tests on fathead minnows and channel catfish were also completed. Reduced growth of the fry appears to be a sensitive indicator of sublethal ammonia exposure. Future tests will measure the interaction of ammonia with low dissolved oxygen. In addition, research on the uptake of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) in bluegills was completed. Although PAH are important environmental contaminants, they are also of theoretical interest because the series include a wide-range of physicochemical properties. Based on the PAH results, as well as information on a large number of other trace organics, we have developed a new general theory of chemical bioconcentration in fish. The theory derives from an existing drug-transport model used in pharmacology.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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004.079\* CRIS0074624  
THE USE OF FISH BEHAVIOR IN TOXICITY TESTING

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Proj. No.: ICW02284 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the relative sensitivities of a variety of behaviors of fish (such as coughing, feeding, mating and hierarchy formation) to toxic substances. Determine the effect of a variety of toxic substances on specific behavior patterns of fish. Compare the utility of behavioral toxicity tests and standard EPA chronic exposure tests in establishing safe levels of toxicants in aquatic ecosystems.

APPROACH: Observe and quantify the behavior patterns of fish exposed to varying levels of toxicants compared to the behavior patterns of control fish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research this past year centered on the effects of copper and methyl parathion on bluegill behavior. The methyl parathion tests are completed, except for statistical analysis. The copper work will continue through this spring and early summer. Eight populations of five bluegill (ranging from 11.5 to 14.0 cm in total length) were maintained in separate 315 liter flow through aquaria. After an acclimation period of sufficient time to allow establishment of stable social hierarchies and territories, nine behaviors were monitored for 56 hours before treatment and 56 hours during exposure to methyl parathion. Treatments consisted of two replicates of a control tank and tanks receiving 0.35, 0.035, and 0.0035 mg/l methyl parathion. Statistically, unanalyzed trends from these two runs of the experiment indicate that low levels of methyl parathion increased the frequency of "flinches" and "fin flickering," both of which are

maintenance behaviors and behavioral manifestations of nervous system effects. General activity levels appeared to become elevated during the early stages of toxicant administration and were followed by subsequent increases in aggression. After approximately 15 hours these increased activity levels began to subside in all but the lowest exposure concentration. Feeding behavior was also affected by methyl parathion. Dominant individual feeding success rates dropped as these fish became less successful at capturing the fathead minnows that were used as prey.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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004.080\* CRIS0064201  
ORGANIZATION AND RETRIEVAL OF FRESHWATER FISHERY DATA

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Proj. No.: ICW02002 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Compile all available data on life histories of freshwater fishes for United States and Canada; coordinate for comparison; publish summaries; maintain bibliography, cross-indexed.

APPROACH: A cross-indexed filing system and standardized tabulation have been developed. Much of the data have to be transformed to metric system and uniform definition of parameters. Manuscript summaries will be made available in special order as they are prepared for publication in Volume II of "Handbook of Freshwater Fisheries Biology".

PROGRESS: 73/07 TO 79/06. Volume II of Handbook of Freshwater Fisheries Biology. Life History data of the centrarchid fishes of United States and Canada was published by Iowa State University Press in 1977, and 1955 copies had been sold as of April 30, 1978. The Handbook is frequently cited in publication and reportedly is widely used as a reference, saving much research time and permitting more effective use of the data. Prior to publication, sections of the manuscript were provided upon request and payment of expenses of copying to other scientists for use on on-going projects or on environmental impact studies. The cross-indexed library is used quite extensively by the graduate students and staff of Iowa State University in their research. Data on species other than centrarchid fishes have been cross-indexed for use in Volume III, and in possible future revisions or supplements. The new literature on the species covered in Volume I is probably at least one-third that covered in the 1969 publication.

PUBLICATIONS: 73/07 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

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BIOLOGICAL AND RECREATIONAL ASPECTS OF WATER LEVEL MANAGEMENT OF CLEAR LAKE, IOWA

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Proj. No.: ICW02475 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: To describe littoral plant and fish communities of Clear Lake. To determine the influence of continued water level fluctuations and water level. Stabilization on littoral plant and fish communities of Clear Lake. To determine the attitudes of water-oriented users toward water level fluctuations or stabilization and to assess how they are likely to respond to future water level management or lack of it.

APPROACH: Littoral plant communities will be identified, relative abundance estimated, mapped, and water depths measured. Fish will be sampled with gill nets, fyke nets, electrofishing and other techniques. Recreational user attitudes will be assessed by attitude surveys of water-oriented users.



PROGRESS: 80/06 TO 81/01. Field studies were conducted during the summer to assess the relative abundance of fish in different channel types and sampling areas. Thirty-five species were collected. A report on the reconnaissance and site selection study to design future fish movement studies associated with navigation and pool level fluctuations were submitted to the Upper Mississippi River Basin Commission. Due to the Congressional action involving reporting dates and funding, the follow-up study will not be conducted.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/06 TO 81/01  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.082 CRIS0078976  
BIOLOGY AND SPORT FISHING HARVEST OF YELLOW PERCH

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Proj. No.: ICW02345 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 79 TO 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: To determine the physical and biological factors governing the spatial distribution of yellow perch in West Lake Okoboji. To determine the population structure. To determine the impact of angler harvest.

APPROACH: Methods for assessing spatial distribution will involve primarily measures of catch per unit of effort with gill nets and fyke nets as well as tag return data. Population structure will be assessed using experimental gill nets and other sampling gear.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The influence of exploitation on West Lake Okoboji yellow perch is unknown. In 1978 and 1979 the growth and condition of East and West Okoboji Lake perch was compared and the extent of interlake movement was evaluated. During the summer of 1980, research was initiated to compare present abundance to early 1950s' data and to determine physical and biological factors influencing depth distribution of perch in West Lake Okoboji. Monofilament gill nets were set at three locations over five depths during dawn, mid-day, and dusk time periods. Well defined trends in catch-per-unit-effort and perch diet were observed relative to depth and water temperature.

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BEHAVIOR OF IOWA SPORT FISHES

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Proj. No.: IOW02236 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 TO 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: The research program will involve long term behavioral studies of Iowa sport fishes in nature using ultrasonic tagging techniques. For each species studied, the major objectives shall be: Determine size and nature of home ranges, including physical features of the preferred habitat, determine daily and seasonal activity patterns and effects of natural environmental variation upon these patterns, and ascertain the effects of human influences upon behavior.

APPROACH: Ultrasonic transmitters will be surgically implanted into the abdominal cavity of experimental fish. The fish will be released into nature and tracked using a boat-mounted hydrophone and receiver. Observation locations will be determined by triangulation and plotted on a map. Fish movements will be compared with habitat features and other environmental parameters.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980, data were analysed from a 2 year telemetry study of the movements and behavior of adult muskellunge in Lake West Okoboji, Iowa. These analyses confirm the preliminary findings reported last year. The basic

elements of the populations' seasonal behavioral patterns are: reproductive activities along shallow shoreline areas in early spring, active foraging in pelagic areas during late spring and early summer, feeding as ambush predators in the outer littoral zone in late summer and early fall, overwintering in deeper areas. During the growing season, the fish occupy well-defined home ranges averaging about 10% of the lake's surface area. Some fish maintain two disjunct home areas and travel back and forth between them. There is no evidence of territorial behavior, however. Throughout this time, the fish are primarily suspended in the upper and middle portions of the water column. All 9 study fish exhibited these general behavioral patterns although there were individual differences in home ranges and timing of the major behavioral shifts. Because of the seasonally changing fish behaviors, there is a marked seasonality in angling success for muskellunge in the lake. A M.S. thesis on the research will be completed in spring 1981.

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ECOLOGY OF LARVAL STREAM FISHES

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Proj. No.: IOW02234 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 TO 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Develop methods for collecting larval fishes in Iowa warmwater streams and rivers, develop procedures for the identification of such larval fishes, determine species composition, distribution, and abundance of larval fishes in selected rivers, and compare the above parameters with reference to various forms of habitat, stream alteration and water use.

APPROACH: Larval stream fishes will be collected by drift nets and a water pumping apparatus. Collecting will be done at several stations in a stream which represent different habitat conditions and at various times of day. Species identification will be accomplished by standard morphological methods and by electrophoresis of tissue proteins.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 79/06. A study was completed on the taxonomy and ecology of drifting larval fishes in the upper Skunk River, Iowa. Collections were made in Spring 1977 using stationary drift nets at eight river stations in the vicinity of Ames. Larvae of more than 20 fish species were collected, minnows (Cyprinidae) being the most abundant group. Taxonomic descriptions were made for larvae of nine minnow species: stoneroller, brassy minnow, common shiner, bigmouth shiner, red shiner, sand shiner, bluntnose minnow, fathead minnow and creek chub. Larval fish drift was greatest at night and consisted primarily of prolarval and early post-larval stages. Numbers of drifting larvae were not associated with either river discharge or turbidity. Occurrence and abundance of larvae was similar over the 30 km length of river sampled and was not related to local habitat characteristics. Phenological patterns of larvae abundance exhibited a close correlation with the known spawning periodicity of Skunk River fishes. A purpose of drifting behavior may be to transport larvae from low order spawning streams to higher order streams where planktonic food organisms are more abundant.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 79/06

PERRY, L.G. 1979. I. Identification of nine larval cyprinids inhabiting small northern rivers. II. Spatial and temporal patterns of larval fish drift in the upper Skunk River. M.S. Thesis. Iowa State University, Ames. 73 pp.

PERRY, L.G. and MENZEL, B.W. 1979. Identification of nine larval cyprinids inhabiting small northern rivers, pp. 141-173. In: Wallus, R. and Voightlander (eds.), Proceedings of a workshop on freshwater larval fishes, Tennessee Valley

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EFFECTS OF LAND USE PRACTICES ON STREAM BICTA

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Proj. No.: ICW02410 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 79 To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine the ecological impact of nonpoint source agricultural pollution on the biotic communities of small warmwater streams, and evaluate the efficacy of Best Management Practices (BMPs) for mitigating the negative impacts of such pollution.

APPROACH: The biotic communities of several streams of the Cedar River drainage, east-central Iowa, will be monitored over a five-year period. During this time one stream, Four-Mile Creek, will have BMPs applied to its watershed through cooperation of landowners and government agencies. A nearby stream, Twelve-Mile Creek, will not receive a subsidized BMP program and, thus, will serve as a control. Other streams already receiving considerable voluntary BMPs on their watersheds, will also be compared to the target stream, four-Mile Creek.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Sampling of fishes and measurement of water quality parameters was carried out in 10 headwater streams of the Cedar River basin in east-central Iowa during Spring 1980. This represented a continuation and expansion of field work initiated in Summer 1979 as a portion of a multi-disciplinary study on the utility of agricultural Best Management Practices for improving water quality. Sediment loads appear to be the salient feature determining habitat conditions for aquatic life in the 10 study streams. On the basis of their high flow and chronic sediment loads, the streams were distinguishable into 3 categories: Clear (2 streams), Moderately Turbid (4 streams), and Chronically Turbid (4 streams). The Clear streams also carried the lowest levels of plant nutrients (P and N) and featured a diversified bottom structure of riffles and pools and larger substrate particle sizes. The Chronically Turbid streams contained high levels of plant nutrients and generally featureless, sand-silt bottoms. The Moderately Turbid streams tended to be intermediate in these characteristics. Fish species richness and diversity, and total biomass were typically highest in the Clear streams and lowest in the Chronically Turbid streams. In all streams, the greater portion of the fish community was composed of fishes regarded as moderately tolerant of sediment and turbidity.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FACTORS AFFECTING FISH POPULATIONS OF IOWA STREAMS

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Proj. No.: ICW02225 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 77 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine fluctuations in abundance of selected populations of stream fishes and factors affecting these fluctuations. Identify man-made habitat alterations that can enhance environmental conditions for aquatic life. Increase knowledge of environmental pollutants transport and dynamics in flowing and impounded waters.

APPROACH: Research will consist of field investigation on length, weight and distribution of fish species in several Iowa rivers in relation to selected environmental parameters. Data on pesticide and polychlorinated biphenyls concentration in muscle tissue will be obtained by gas chromatography on fish inhabiting the Des Moines River and Red Rock Lake.

PROGRESS: 77/03 TO 80/06. Common carp were used to monitor organochlorine pesticide residues in fish from the Des Moines River. Residues were below U.S. Food and Drug Administration allowable levels in food fish. Reservoir sampling locations, Red Rock and Saylorville, tended to have higher dieldrin levels

than riverine locations. This trend was not observed for DDT residues. Missouri river environmental gap evaluation--notches cut in rock revetments to increase habitat density were evaluated. Species composition and sizes of fish associated with notches were described. Smallmouth bass in the Skunk River--during the 1976-77 drought, the population was decimated by winter kill. Survival, growth, production, movement, and habitat associations of fingerlings stocked following the drought was assessed.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/03 TO 80/06

HUBERT, W.A. 1980. Aldrin and DDT Residues in Carp from Impounded and Riverine Segments of the Des Moines River, 1979. In: Proceedings of the Seminar on the Water Quality in the Corps of Engineers' Reservoirs in Iowa. U.S. Army Corps

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FACTORS AFFECTING FISH POPULATIONS IN IOWA WATERS

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Proj. No.: IOW02465 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 31 JUL 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: To determine the factors influencing fluctuations in abundance of selected populations. To identify man-made habitat alterations that impact or enhance environmental conditions for aquatic life. To increase understanding of environmental contaminants transport and dynamics. To evaluate fishery management techniques aimed at enhancing fishery quality or productivity.

APPROACH: Research will consist of field and laboratory studies on the life history, environmental requirements, and population dynamics of fish species in Iowa waters. Data on environmental contaminants in fish and their habitats will be obtained by standard analytical procedures. Established methods for population assessment will be used to determine the effects of various management techniques.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. Two individual studies were conducted within the scope of this project: one dealing with pesticide residues in the Des Moines River and another concerned with the propagation of walleyes, *Stizostedion vitreum*, (propagated walleyes may be stocked so as to manipulate resident fish populations). Concentrations of dieldrin and DDT in muscle tissue of carp, *Cyprinus carpio*, from the Des Moines River, Iowa, were compared relative to month of collection, age of fish, and sampling location. Statistically significant differences were observed for all three factors. Expression of pesticide levels on the basis of wet weight of flesh often produced different results than when comparisons were made on a fat basis. Samples from reservoir locations tended to have higher dieldrin levels than samples from riverine locations. However, no similar trend was detected for DDT levels. Walleye fry fed a mixture of a diatom (*Melosira* sp.), decapsulated brine shrimp eggs, and dry feed (W-7) exhibited higher survival rates than those fed any of these items alone or in pairs. Walleye fingerlings were reared in ponds to a length of 35 mm and successfully transferred to hatchery production units. Substantial mortality occurred later, apparently due to stress from subsequent handling. Acceptance of dry feed by walleye fingerlings was highest in those rearing units in which water flow patterns held the feed in suspension for the longest times. Research in the coming year will proceed along similar lines for each study.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12

HUBERT, W.A. 1980. Aldrin and DDT Residues in Carp from Impounded and Riverine Segments of the Des Moines River 1979. In: Proceedings of a Seminar on the Water Quality in Corps of Engineers Reservoirs in Iowa. U.S. Army Corps of



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WATER QUALITY ENHANCEMENT OF LAKES BY MECHANICAL  
PUMPING

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Proj. No.: ICW02233 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Enhance water quality of lakes by in situ  
aeration with an axial-flow, mechanical pump.  
Specially, pumping will be done to increase total  
content of dissolved oxygen, and to decrease the  
concentration of organic matter, and the toxic  
substances, namely ammonia and hydrogen sulfide.

APPROACH: Dissolved oxygen, BOD, hydrogen sulfide and  
ammonia will be measured by standard procedures at  
intervals and depths which will allow  
characterization of total mass of these chemical  
characteristics of water quality. Pumping will be  
done with an axial-flow mechanical pump of the  
Quintero-Garton design. Evaluation will be done on  
the basis of changes in these water quality variables  
and improvement in species diversity of aquatic life.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An axial-flow pump of the  
Quintero-Garton (1969) design, with a 120-cm diameter  
impeller, was operated on McFarland Lake, Story  
County, Iowa from 13 May through 22 October 1980 to  
prevent normal summer stratification. The  
temperature, and concentration of dissolved oxygen,  
chlorophyll a, BOD, CO(2), H(2)S, total phosphate,  
and orthophosphate were measured once each month at  
three sample sites in the lake and at each depth  
contour from 1 to 5 meters. During mid-summer, when  
expected temperature and chemical stratification in  
this lake would be substantial, maximum temperature  
difference was less than 2.0 C, and the substrate of  
the lake was warmed nearly 10 C over the expected  
temperature without artificial destratification.  
Without pumping, the lake would be anoxic below 4  
meters, but with pumping, oxygen in the deepest  
contour was never less than 1.6 mg/l (25 June) and  
otherwise between 2.1 and 3.6, June through August.  
Long-term trends in lake improvement could be seen by  
comparing conditions occurring in the summers of  
1978, 1979, and 1980. BOD values for the summer of  
1980 were about half that of previous two summers and  
Chlorophyll a concentration in the surface (0-1  
meter) stratum of the lake for the June through  
August period was the lowest of the years.  
Transparency (Secchi disc) was higher than in  
previous years.

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NATURAL MARSHES AS NUTRIENT SINKS FOR AGRICULTURAL  
RUNOFF

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Proj. No.: ICW02071 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Examine the efficiency of natural marshes  
as nutrient sinks for nitrogen and phosphorus  
entering as a result of agricultural runoff; the fate  
of these nutrients in a marsh; practical methods to  
increase the efficiency of marshes as nutrient sinks.

APPROACH: Construct an annual nutrient budget for a  
marsh receiving agricultural runoff from input,  
output, plant, and litter nutrient measurements.  
Examine the effects of water level manipulations,  
baffles or dredging new channels on the efficiency of  
nutrient removal by increasing retention time and/or  
the dispersion of incoming nutrients.

PROGRESS: 74/01 TO 80/06. During years that had below  
normal precipitation (1976-1978), Eagle Lake had no  
effluent and it was a perfect sink for the nutrients  
in the agricultural runoff passing through it. During  
a wet year (1979) when the marsh had a significant  
effluent, it removed 86% of the nitrate entering it,

78% of the ammonia, but total or Kjeldahl-N was not  
reduced significantly. The marsh was not as effective  
in removing phosphorus from runoff flowing through it  
in 1979. Only about 20% of the inorganic phosphorus  
was removed and even less of the total phosphorus  
input. The marsh was a net exporter of soluble carbon  
in 1979. Overall prairie glacial marshes have a  
beneficial impact on agricultural runoff passing  
through them. They effectively remove most of the  
inorganic nitrogen, particularly nitrates. The use of  
natural and/or constructed marshes as an integral  
part of a tile drainage network is a cheap and  
effective method for reducing the potential water  
pollution problems that could be caused by the  
inorganic nitrogen levels found in agricultural  
runoff.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/01 TO 80/06  
VAN DER VALK, A.G. 1981. Succession in wetlands: a  
Gleasonian approach. Ecology 62: 688-696.

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NAVIGATION IMPACTS ON CHANNEL FISHES, UPPER  
MISSISSIPPI RIVER

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Proj. No.: IOW02489 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 APR 81 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: To assess potential navigation impacts on  
channel fishes of the Upper Mississippi utilizing  
habitat evaluation procedures and literature review.

APPROACH: Data from the 1980 reconnaissance study  
will be utilized to assess navigation impacts using  
two approaches. The first approach will entail  
procedures similar to those employed by the U.S. Fish  
and Wildlife Service for habitat evaluation. The  
second approach will involve a detailed statistical  
analysis of main channel and side channel fish  
samples from 1980.

004.091 CRIS0073396  
DETERMINATION OF WATER QUALITY CRITERIA FOR THE  
SUPPORT OF AQUATIC LIFE IN TWO SMALL KANSAS STREAMS

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Proj. No.: KAN-05-136 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the toxicity levels for  
selected fauna-bioassay tests of ammonia,  
chloramines, chlorine and their mixtures.

APPROACH: Standard, laboratory bioassay tests will be  
made to determine the toxicity levels and then  
intensive biosurveys will be made on Cedar and Mill  
Creeks in Kansas.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Terminated 12-31-80.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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ECOLOGICAL STUDIES WITH RED SWAMP CRAWFISH AND WHITE  
RIVER CRAWFISH

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OBJECTIVES: Study factors influencing ecology of  
crawfish, such as temperature, season, water quality  
and depth, vegetation, soil type, and agricultural  
practices, in relation to feeding, growth,  
reproduction, behavior, populations, diseases,  
predators, and competitors.

**APPROACH:** Experiments will be set up in aquaria to determine temperature tolerance of crawfish. Past crawfish production records for certain areas will be compared to weather records. Small ponds will be stocked with crawfish and effects of water level fluctuations studied. Crawfish movements will be studied in laboratory and in the field. Methods for food habits studies will be developed and applied in the laboratory. Water from natural crawfish habitats will be analyzed. Natural crawfish populations will be studied in relation to soil fertility. Population dynamics of crawfish will be studied, including mortality and predators. Crawfish carrying capacity will be determined from small ponds.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/10. Studies conducted during reporting period on influence of pesticides, rice residue, and planted rice on crawfish production indicated: No differences in growth, survival and yield of crawfish in tanks planted with untreated rice, planted with untreated rice, or planted with treated rice plus receiving Propanil, Crdram and Furadan. No pesticide residues were detected in flesh. In lab studies, a combination of Propanil, Crdram and Furadan was more toxic to crawfish than any single pesticide. After rice was harvested in crawfish ponds the stubble was left standing (S), baled (B) and added back to ponds periodically, or disked (D) into the soil. Half the ponds were flooded early (E), Sept. 20, and half late (L), Oct. 10. Crawfish in S, B and D ponds grew to 19, 18, and 17 mm respectively. Crawfish in E and L flooded ponds grew to 92 and 83 mm in length, respectively. Rice straw decomposed fastest in E ponds, followed by S and D ponds, with weight loss of 77, 67, and 49%, respectively, after 5-months. Dissolved oxygen was consistently higher in E flooded ponds than in L flooded ponds; 18 weeks after flooding, periphyton in g/r 2 was E 337, L 216, S 358, E 333, D 307. Ponds containing crawfish were planted with or without rice. Ponds with no rice receiving range pellets (crude protein 9.0%) from Sept. 25 to May 3 produced 881 kg of crawfish/ha. Ponds with rice receiving range pellets from March 1 through May 3 produced 2016 kg.

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DEVELOPMENT OF METHODS FOR MASS PRODUCTION AND  
MANAGEMENT OF BULLFROGS

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**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the effects on tadpoles of diet and water quality. Development of pelleted diets for bullfrogs. Determine methods of disease control in tadpoles and bullfrogs. Effect of environmental factors and hormone injections on controlled reproduction. Influence of selective breeding on improved growth, acceptance of artificial foods and other useful characteristics.

**APPROACH:** Modify protein, fats, carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals in tadpole diets and determine the effect on food conversion, growth, abnormalities, etc.; modify water pH and determine effects on growth, mortality and disease occurrence. Determine the effect of temperature, photoperiod and hormone injections on reproductive development. Determine the relationship between diet and mortality due to gut pathogens. Attempt to develop a method to immunize bullfrogs.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies involving the effect of pH of the culture water on disease occurrence in the larvae showed that mortality related to disease increased at pH values above 7.0. The optimum pH appears to be between 6.5 to 6.9. The presence or absence of calcium in the water could not be related to disease at various pH levels. Abnormalities increased when calcium was low (less than 2mg/l in water and less than 0.5% in diet). Addition of calcium to the water did not reduce abnormalities, but addition to the food (and not water) up to 5% did reduce abnormalities. Selection of bullfrogs for accepting non-living food (F(3) generation) showed no improvement in the number of animals responding over previous generations. This phase of the study was terminated. Selection studies for rapid growth produced an F(3) generation. Growth rates are currently being monitored. Reproduction studies showed that wild-caught females could be brought into ovulatable condition in the laboratory within eight weeks when placed on a heavy feeding program, 20-25 degrees C and 12 hr light. Repeated ovulations were achieved within 8 to 12 weeks. Transition metals play significant roles in controlling the production of toxins by pathogenic bacterial in the presence of certain amino acids. The addition of Zinc stimulated production and iron inhibited production.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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THE RELATIONSHIP OF SALINITY AND DISTANCE FROM THE  
SEA, TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF JUVENILE FISHES

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Proj. No.: LAB02008 Project Type: STATE  
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**OBJECTIVES:** Determine how far inland the young menhaden, genus *Brevoortia*, Atlantic croaker, *Micropogonundulatus*, and spot, *Leiostomus xanthurus*, move in the Barataria Bay drainage. Correlate their abundance and size with the salinities, and the location, where they are caught.

**APPROACH:** A transect about 75 km long contains 15 sample sites. Salinity declines in a northerly direction, from saline or brackish to pure fresh water. Samples will be taken every 2 weeks with a 4.9-m otter trawl. On alternate trips each site will also be sampled with Surface trawl and high speed sampler, or 1.8-m beam trawl and plankton net. Salinity, temperature & water depth will be recorded for each sample. Total biomass, total number, and length of individuals will be recorded for every sample, for menhaden, spot and croaker. Length-frequencies will be analyzed. Abundance at the stations will be analyzed to determine the inland extent of penetration of each species.

**PROGRESS:** 78/01 TO 80/12. Inshore shrimp trawling was the primary cause for a rapid decline in abundance of Atlantic croaker, *Micropogon undulatus*, after May. No relationship between salinity and croaker size was found. Trawl catches of croaker were an order of magnitude greater at night than during the day. Gulf menhaden, *Brevoortia patronus*, and blue crabs, *Callinectes sapidus*, were also taken in significantly greater numbers in nighttime trawls. The surface trawl was more efficient on 5-25 mm crabs than the otter trawl; researchers on small crabs should consider its use. Menhaden and crabs were taken in



greater numbers in shallow, protected waters than in larger, open waters within the marsh. All three species were taken well above the brackish/freshwater line; menhaden were taken in numbers at several stations 20 km above. The entire coastal marsh, including the freshwater zone, is an important nursery and should be protected from environmental degradation

**PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 80/12**

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SIMONEAUX, L.F. 1979. The Distribution of Menhaden, *Brevoortia*, with Respect to Salinity, in the Upper Drainage Basin of Barataria Bay, Louisiana. M.S. Thesis, La. State Univ., Baton Rouge, 96 pp.

DAUD, N.W. 1979. Distribution and Recruitment of Juvenile Blue Crabs, *Callinectes sapidus*, in a Louisiana Estuarine System. M.S. Thesis, La. State Univ., Baton Rouge, 83 pp.

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**PRESENCE, ABUNDANCE, MOVEMENTS, AND HABITAT USAGE OF ESTUARINE-DEPENDENT FISHES AND CRUSTACEANS.**

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Proj. No.: LAB02076 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 20 AUG 79 To 15 AUG 83

**OBJECTIVES:** To determine: seasonal presence and relative abundance of important larval and juvenile organisms entering and leaving Sabine National Wildlife Refuge; their ingress and egress routes; the relative use made of several habitat types, and to search literature for allied information.

**APPROACH:** Traps and plankton nets will be fished 1 to 3 times/week on all (6) major possible migration channels for 3 years. The shallow habitat within the Refuge will be sampled monthly using an airboat for transportation, and whatever gear can be found to work satisfactorily in very shallow water. (Gear type to be determined in preliminary work.) Movements will be studied using fluorescent marking techniques. All catches will be recorded by species, numbers, lengths, and habitat types, and searched for marks.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Field work began in March 1980. Twenty-six traps have been installed and are now in operation. Trapping and trawling is being conducted on established schedules. Nearly 1/2 million organisms were processed by end of July; about 1/2 were fishes (39 families, 88 species) and the rest were crustaceans (5 families, 10 species). Ingress and egress appears to be mainly from Calcasieu Lake side. Much of the marsh was used as nursery at different times.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**EFFECTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AND MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ON COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF CRAWFISH**

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Proj. No.: LAB02138 Project Type: STATE  
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**OBJECTIVES:** To delineate the major environmental factors that regulate production of crawfish in commercial ponds. To develop management strategies that optimize economic yields of crawfish from commercial ponds. To evaluate new management techniques developed by the La. Agricultural Experiment Station in commercial crawfish ponds.

**APPROACH:** Environmental factors that regulate production of crawfish in commercial ponds will be evaluated. Initial investigations will concentrate on water quality dynamics, effluent discharge determination of mineral requirements, and the effects of agricultural pesticides on crawfish. Decay dynamics of forage biomass will be assayed and its effects on crawfish population dynamics ascertained. Conventional traps and new traps designs will be tested for efficiency in harvesting. Forage research will concentrate changes in nutritive quality, biomass production and preference of vegetation types by crawfish.

**PROGRESS:** 80/11 TO 80/12. Harvesting crawfish with traps is the largest variable expense to commercial producers in Louisiana, generally comprising 40 to 60% of the gross revenues. Six type of traps presently used in the commercial industry and three new trap designs are being evaluated for harvest efficiency in three commercial ponds during the 1980-81 crawfish season. Concomitantly, trap placement, trap density, frequency with which traps are emptied and manipulation of environmental parameters, such as water circulation, are being investigated to ascertain those combinations of harvesting strategies that minimize cost and maximize catch. Seven commercial crawfish ponds are being sampled biweekly with dip nets, seines, and small and large mesh traps during 1980-81 season to quantitate growth, mortality, and recruitment patterns of crawfish populations. Seasonal changes in vegetation cover and plant species composition are being determined by the line-intercept method. These data along with catch and effort data supplied by cooperating producers are being used to develop a mathematical model capable of evaluating management strategies that optimize crawfish yields.

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**MOVEMENTS OF SONIC-TAGGED FISHES IN RELATION TO WATER QUALITY IN LOWER ATCHAFALAYA RIVER BASIN**

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Proj. No.: LAB02023 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 78 To 31 DEC 82

**OBJECTIVES:** To develop, from the diversity of systems available, a radio tracking system suitable for the study of largemouth bass, *Micropterus salmoides* (Lacepede), black crappie, *Pomoxis nigromaculatus* (Lesuer) and white crappie, *Pomoxis annularis* Rafinesque. To relate movements of largemouth bass and crappies to changes in physicochemical characteristics of water and hydrographic regime in lower Basin habitats. To compare home range dimensions of the largemouth bass and crappies in various habitats. To gain insight into seasonal and diel patterns of movements of the above sport fishes insofar as these movements may be related to water quality variations in the annual hydrographic cycle.

**APPROACH:** Bass will be electrofished from at least two habitat types in the Atchafalaya River Basin. Radio tags will be implanted surgically and fish will be released immediately. Fish and a physicochemical description of their home ranges will be monitored on a diel and seasonal basis, to gain insight into possible relationships between a changing water quality and fish movements.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The role of water quality in selection of microhabitats and home ranges of sport fishes has been inferred from laboratory experiments wherein most variables (except one) are held constant. However, a better way to gain insight into water quality preferences may be to follow fishes tagged with telemetry devices while monitoring the water quality in their natural habitat. We surgically implanted radio transmitters in 15 largemouth bass in the Atchafalaya River Basin and tracked them for as many as 117 days. Water temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, specific conductance, and oxidation-reduction potential were

recorded at each release site and subsequently, at the previous, and at each new location for each tracking day until the fish was no longer detected. We found that bass preferred a water temperature of 27 degrees C and made significantly more movements toward increasing dissolved oxygen. Other water quality characteristics measured did not appear to influence movements. Most locations of bass were made near shore in water less than 1.5 m deep and neither movements nor home range sizes were associated with river stage unless stages were sufficiently high to inundate the swamp floor.

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ULTRASTRUCTURAL CHANGES IN TELEOST GILLS: EFFECTS OF SUBTLE ALTERATIONS IN THE ENVIRONMENT

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Agency ID: CSVM0180-SVM Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: To develop techniques for ultrastructural examination of fish gills. To compare by light and electron microscopy, normal gill morphology to morphology in which fish have been subjected to specific environmental changes. To correlate morphopathology and environmental changes and propose a pathogenic basis for disease development. To examine random gill samples from clear and polluted fresh, estuarine and marine populations of both cultured and feral fish. These samples will be compared to those which have been previously examined.

APPROACH: Gills will be collected from laboratory cultured fish which have been exposed to pH and dissolved oxygen alteration, addition of ammonia and sewage effluent and increase in fish population density. Gills will be collected from apparently healthy and sick feral and propagated food fish. These samples will be processed and sectioned according to standard methods and examined with the light and electron microscope. An attempt will be made to quantify and correlate lesions with the damaging agent involved.

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CRAWFISH CULTURE STUDIES IN SMALL PONDS: BURROWING, POLYCULTURE AND NATURAL POND FLOODING

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Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Determine the spatial and seasonal burrowing patterns of crawfish in small, open crawfish ponds. Assess the effectiveness of various techniques for facilitating successful burrowing of crawfish in crawfish ponds. Determine the effects of soil tilling practices on crawfish burrows in crawfish ponds. Determine the commercial feasibility of cultivating channel catfish and crawfish together in small, open south Louisiana crawfish ponds. Determine the commercial feasibility of using rainfall to flood crawfish ponds in south Louisiana.

APPROACH: Objectives 1, 2, 4 and 5 will be pursued in the four, one acre crawfish ponds located at Southern University. Objective 3 will be pursued in a nearby commercial pond. During the first two years, burrows will be marked and mapped on a biweekly basis and several types of materials will be tested to determine their effectiveness as burrowing facilitators. Also, during the first two years, marked burrows will be subjected to disk and tractor-bush hog compaction early and late during the

dry season to determine their impact on the occupants. In years 2 and 3, channel catfish will be stocked in test ponds after they have been filled with water in the fall. Catfish production and catfish impact on crawfish production will be recorded. In years 4 and 5, test ponds will be permitted to fill naturally in the fall and winter. The impact on this action on crawfish production will be measured.

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METABOLISM AND FUNCTION OF CELLULAR LIPIDS

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Proj. No.: ME08752 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 78 To 30 SEP 86

OBJECTIVES: Analysis of lipid and lipid enzymes in detergent-resistant and pigmentation mutants of *M. lysodeikticus*. Studies of lipid composition and lipid identification in marine caulobacter species. The effect of herpesvirus infection on the lipid metabolism of cultured animal and human cells.

APPROACH: Comparative studies between wild-type and detergent resistant mutants are planned to elucidate the mechanism of resistance and the relationship between resistance and the lipid composition by analyzing the changes in lipid composition during growth in the presence of different levels of detergent. Pigmentation mutants will be compared with respect to lipid composition and fatty acid analysis. Evidence has accumulated which indicates that *Caulobacter halobacteroides* and other marine caulobacters have an unusual lipid composition. We propose to identify the glycolipids of these organisms, analyze isolated membranes, and determine if typical phospholipid biosynthetic pathways play a role in the metabolism of these organisms. A study of the effects of NDV infection on cellular lipid composition and the breakdown and synthesis of cholesterol ester in an in vitro, primary cell system is planned. Vascular smooth muscle and cardiac muscle cell cultures will be infected with NDV and HVT cell-associated viruses.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. In studies of Triton X-100 (TX) resistant mutants of *M. lysodeikticus*, a comparison of the release of label from wild-type and mutant cells suggested that it was not the penetration of the detergent through the cell walls that was responsible for resistance. The lipid compositions of the wild-type and mutant were different when grown in the absence of TX. The lipid alterations during growth of the mutant in the presence and absence of TX were significantly different, indicating that the presence of TX does affect the regulation of lipid composition and metabolism. Experiments designed to determine differences between two pigmented mutants and the wild-type of *M. lysodeikticus* were undertaken. The wild-type contains derivatives of the yellow carotenoid, neurosporene; the pink mutant was shown to have large amounts of lycopene; and the white mutants has only trace amounts of visible pigments. Since it had been suggested that carotenoids may act to reinforce the membrane bilayer, we compared the growth rates of these three cultures at different temperatures. All three cultures had the same optimal growth temperature, 35C. The pink mutants, however, had a more narrow temperature growth range. Studies of the lipid composition of the marine bacterium, *Caulobacter halobacteroides*, indicate that this organism contains little, if any, phospholipid; most of the extractable lipid being glycolipid. The nature of this glycolipid is currently being investigated.

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EFFECTS OF ATMOSPHERIC INPUTS OF ACIDS AND HEAVY  
METALS ON LAKE PLANKTON

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Proj. No.: ME08465 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 MAY 78 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Assess the proposition that changes in the planktonic flora and fauna in many northern New England lakes are responses to changes in heavy metal loading from the atmosphere, acidic precipitation, or both.

APPROACH: Taking sediment cores from montane lakes having watersheds essentially unaltered by humans, determining sediment chronology by  $Cs^{137}$ , Pb-210, and palynological methods, and analyzing geo-chemical and microfossil (incl. diatoms and cladocerans) stratigraphy.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Sediment cores (ca. 0.5 m long) were obtained from six high altitude Maine lakes with pristine, granitic water sheds. The cores have been analysed for sediment chronology (pollen, Pb-210,  $Cs^{137}$ ), natural watershed disturbance (pollen, charcoal, chemistry), geochemistry (water, total organic matter, K, Na Mg, Ca, Ti, Al, Fe, Mn, Pb, Zn, Cu), diatom assemblages (five lakes completed), and chydroid Cladocera (three lakes completed). The present median pH of weekly precipitation in the region is about 4.3. Elevated zinc and lead concentrations in precipitation are associated with acid pollution. An increase in Pb and Zn concentrations in the sediments starts in the late 1800's regardless of limnological and geological factors and present lake water pH. However, in subsequently acidified lakes (pH lowered to less than ca. 5), concentrations of Ca, Mg, K, Mn, and Zn decrease in recently deposited sediment. These elements are more soluble at low pH. A proposed mechanism for the decreasing concentrations is the accelerated leaching of the elements from watershed soils (sediment precursors) and from lake sediments at the sediment/water interface. This implies a concurrent increase in concentrations of these metals in soil leachate and lake (and stream) water. Sediment surface diatom assemblages from 30 northern New England lakes of known water pH have been used to derive multiple regression coefficients which are applied down-core for inferring past lake water pH.

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DISTRIBUTION, ABUNDANCE AND ECOLOGY OF ASCOPHYLLUM  
NODOSUM (1) LB JOIS

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Proj. No.: ME08459 Project Type: BATCH  
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OBJECTIVES: Determine: Distribution and abundance patterns of *A. nodosum* in Maine, growth, reproductive, age and biomass patterns on exposed, semi-exposed and sheltered shores; biomass of *Fucus* spp., value of aerial photography and infrared film for *A. nodosum*

surveys; methods to enhance colonization of *A. nodosum*; harvestable yields of *A. nodosum*.

APPROACH: Permanent and randomly selected sites will be utilized to survey the algal resource and study growth patterns. Samples will be taken seasonally. Experimental studies on colonization will be conducted in situ and in simulated tide cycles in running seawater tanks.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Four study areas were established in 1980 making a total of six in two major areas (Northeast and Southeast) of the coast. The percent cover and biomass of *Ascophyllum* and *Fucus* spp. were determined in belt transects and in 10 x 100 cm quadrats, respectively. Samples were stratified by intertidal height. Biomass and growth and density of plants and apical growing points were measured to determine growth and productivity potentials. Reproductive output was measured in Fall 1980 for plants at the six sites. Data measurements are nearly complete for these sites (through Fall 1980). Computer programming and analysis will be initiated in Spring 1981. Field colonization studies involving *Ascophyllum* during 1980 were not successful. Only a few recruits developed (to 2-5 mm) from approximately 130 experimental plots involving millions of fertilized eggs. Some promising leads will be followed up during 1981. Colonization experiments in running sea water from these same eggs showed excellent growth and survival for 1 to 2 months until adversely affected by sedimentation.

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BLACK FLY DAMAGE THRESHOLDS, BIOLOGY AND CONTROL

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Proj. No.: ME08039 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Analyze the population dynamics of black flies, and factors contributing to their distribution and abundance.

APPROACH: The role of invertebrate and vertebrate predators in the population dynamics of black fly larvae will be examined. Sampling methods will be devised which will give information on black fly larval populations and associated invertebrates. The gut contents of invertebrate predators will be examined for the presence of black fly larvae. Both the larvae and the predators will be classified according to size. Fish will be sampled by electro-fishing and the stomach contents analyzed for the presence of black fly larvae.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The roles of fish (*Catostomus commersoni* (white suckers), *Semotilus corporalis* (fallfish), *Micropterus dolomieu* (smallmouth bass) and *Lepomis* sp. (sunfish) and hydropterychid caddisfly larvae (*Symphitopsyche morosa*, *S. sparna* and *Hydropsyche scalaris*) as predators of larvae of *Simulium penobscotensis* in the Penobscot River are being investigated. Sampling took place at weekly intervals between May and October, 1980. On each date approximately 20 specimens of each species of fish were taken from the beds of *Potamogeton* spp. to which the black fly larvae were attached. The fish length and weight, volume of stomach content, and the presence of blackfly larvae (numbers and percent volume in the stomach) will be recorded for each fish. Quantitative weekly samples of invertebrates were taken from the *Potamogeton* spp. the substrate and the drift. The numbers and head widths of the caddisfly larvae will be recorded as will the numbers of black fly larvae in the gut content. Emergence of caddisfly adults was

monitored by weekly light trap collections. Processing of these samples is in progress and analyses of these data should allow an evaluation of the role of the different fish species as predators throughout the season, life history analysis of the various caddisfly species and their role as predators.

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COMPARATIVE STUDY OF THE FLEXIBACTER-CYTOPEAGA GROUP BACTERIA

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Proj. No.: ME08755 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 23 JAN 78 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Isolate and representative members of Flexibacter and Cytophaga from marine, aquatic, and soil samples. Improve procedures for detection and recognition of these microorganisms.

APPROACH: The proposed research can be divided into two phases. Representative cultures will be isolated from marine, aquatic, and soil samples. Various selective and differential media will be tested. Cultures from each source along with named strains will be thoroughly characterized. Comparisons will be made using numerical taxonomy.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 80/09. Studies by James Sutton (M.S. Student) concerning the identification and variability of a Flexibacter sp. have indicated a high rate of spontaneous variation in this organism. The organism was similar to Flexibacter auranticus var. copepodarum (Lewin) and to the organisms in Fager's Group 16. The natural variability of the organism was such that species identification would be easily compromised. Twelve spontaneous variants were studied as to the biochemical and morphological characteristics. Variations were shown in pigment formation, colonial size, roughness, gliding motility, catalase activity, proteolysis, tyrosinase activity, and maximum growth temperature. The nature of the high rate of variability requires further study to learn if it results from chromosomal gene mutation or plasmid loss. Substrate utilization tests using an agar based medium were not useful for agarolytic cytophagae since agar served as a carbon source; the flexibacters examined failed to grow on the defined medium. A study of the toxic effects of electron transfer compounds showed that most of the strains tested were sensitive to methylene blue (2ppm) and to diquat (2-20ppm) but methyl viologen and triphenyl tetrazolium chloride were relatively less toxic. No correlation to sensitivity and catalase activity was observed. Further studies of the nutritional and growth characteristics of these bacteria are the subject of a new project.

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004.105 CRIS0082911  
CLOSED CYCLE FISH CULTURE WATER FILTRATION USING BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: MC-EK-066 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine efficiency of nitrification filters for closed cycle aquacultural systems as a function of various operating parameters. Determine effectiveness of aquatic plants in removing nutrients from aquatic closed cycle culture systems. Use the data gathered from objectives one and two above to develop design equations for nitrification and plant filters.

APPROACH: Design equations for nitrification filters will be developed by operating pilot scale filters using an inorganic nitrogen source. Filter inlet ammonia concentration, oxygen concentration, temperature and pH will be varied and the filter's efficiency for converting ammonia to nitrate monitored. Macroscopic plants will be used to filter water containing an inorganic nutrient mix. The nitrogen and phosphate concentrations, water temperature, water retention time in the filter, pH and physical filter dimensions will be varied and related to nutrient extraction rates. Light levels will be maintained at a constant value. Filter design equations will be developed from the data collected.

004.106 CRIS0083580  
EFFECTS OF HERBICIDES ON CHESAPEAKE BAY PHYTOPLANKTON

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Proj. No.: MD-K-022 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 01 FEB 81 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Test the effects of atrazine and linuron on the growth and photosynthesis of several genera of algae, such as Isochrysis, known to be important to the fisheries industry. Other herbicides may be included pending discovery of what would appear to be significant concentrations in the Chesapeake Bay. If an organism is discovered to be resistant to a given herbicide, it will be determined if this results from simply exclusion of the compound, or if the organism takes up the compound and detoxifies it or metabolizes it in some way. If the latter be the case, further tests will be made to see if products injurious to other species are contained by or released from the resistant organism.

APPROACH: Pure algal cultures will be grown in controlled environments at appropriate temperatures, light intensities and ranges of salinities and exposed to herbicides. Growth and photosynthesis will be monitored by conventional methods. Unaffected organisms will be further tested for herbicide uptake. Where uptake has occurred, the organism will be used in feeding experiments rendered them unfit for or perhaps dangerous to consumers. Additionally, the culture medium will be assayed for metabolites which may affect other organisms. Radioisotopes and gas chromatography will be employed.

004.107\* CRIS0067857  
PHYSIOLOGY OF CHESAPEAKE BAY PHYTOPLANKTON

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Proj. No.: MD-K-013 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 75 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Characterization of the major food and oxygen producing plants supporting the seafood industry of Maryland is the major objective. Environmental factors including light, nutrients, temperature, energy, and interspecific interactions will be measured.

APPROACH: The research will be carried out primarily from the University of Maryland. Some work on the Chesapeake Bay will be necessary to obtain samples. Controlled natural, and possible variations in the environment will be introduced in naturally occurring and cultured communities. Initial investigations will concentrate on growth, production, and pigmentation.



Absorbance, spectrophotometry, oxygen determination, and carbon uptake techniques will be used with cultured phytoplankton.

PROGRESS: 75/05 TO 80/09. Three algae from the Chesapeake Bay were characterized in terms of their growth rate response to various environmental conditions of light, temperature, nutrition and salinity. The effects of grazing at various phases of growth was measured in a fourth algae. Results of the grazing work showed that as net primary production decreased from exponential phase to declining phase to stationary phase that an equal level of grazing removed an increasing proportion of net primary production from each phase. The golden-brown planktivorous alga, *Pseudopedinella pyriforme* grew best between 2 1/2 and 5 g/kg salinity. *Mychozoetes ruminatus*, a unicellular alga grew best between 10 and 20 g/kg salinity at 0.78 m W/cm white light, and 25C. The phytoplankton, *Nannochloris oculata* had a maximal growth rate at 30 C, 15 g/kg salinity, and 1.35 m W/cm white light on ammonium. The nitrogen source showing the best growth was dependent on interactions among the physical parameters of the environment. It is concluded that the production of Chesapeake Bay and the species composition of the primary plants will depend on the management of the environmental parameters affected by nutritional pollution, sedimentation, temperature manipulation and salinity control.

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004.108\* CRIS0073934  
MORPHOLOGICAL, ULTRASTRUCTURAL, AND BIOCHEMICAL  
CHARACTERIZATION OF NANOPLANKTON FROM CHESAPEAKE BAY

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Proj. No.: MD-K-016 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 77 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Screen various nanoplankton organisms already brought into culture from the Chesapeake Bay, in order to select for "new" organisms--those which cannot be identified through use of standard keys. Study in detail the morphology and microanatomy of the organisms selected as above in order to determine their taxonomic affinities. Characterize the photosynthetic pigments of these organisms, particularly the chlorophylls, the presence or absence of phycobiline, and the xanthophylls, in order to determine their taxonomic affinities. Characterize the biochemical composition of these organisms, especially the protein and lipid composition, in order to evaluate the organisms as food for Chesapeake Bay shellfish.

APPROACH: Screening procedures involve morphological description by light microscopy, a scan of the major pigments by acetone-extraction techniques and a cursory examination by transmission electron microscopy, sufficient to determine the basic cytological condition of the organism. In-depth studies by light, scanning electron and transmission electron microscopy will be done in order to produce

definitive descriptions of these organisms. Pigments will be studied by photospectrophometric scanning of acetone extract, and by both thin layer and column separation and extraction procedures. Total protein composition will be determined by Kjeldahl analysis and lipid analysis will be performed by standard extraction methods followed by thin layer and gas chromatography.

PROGRESS: 77/10 TO 80/09. Over thirty species of *Chlorella* have been examined for sterol and fatty acid composition. The major fatty acids were palmitic, oleic, linoleic and linolenic. Some strains had major quantities of palmitoleic as well as di- and triunsaturated sixteen carbon acids. Tetra-unsaturated acids with 16 and 18 carbons were found in a few strains. *Chlorella* could be divided into 3 major groups based on sterol compositions: Delta 5-sterols Delta 7-sterols Delta 5, 7-sterols. One strain contained Delta 5, 8-sterols, which are extremely rare in living organisms. These lipid constituents show promise as biochemical markers for taxonomic groupings. Most of the *Chlorella* species and strains would appear to be unlikely as oyster food based on their sterol composition and that of the oyster. Several diatoms which are of the proper size for ingestion by the oyster, appear to have the same sterol composition as the oyster, indicating that they could be the oyster's food source.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/10 TO 80/09

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

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ACTIVITY RHYTHMS OF THE NORTHERN ROCK CRAB IN  
RELATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL FACTORS

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Proj. No.: MDX-PR-0001-URP31/73

Agency ID: CSRS Project Type: GRANT  
Period: 25 MAY 73 TO 24 MAY 78

OBJECTIVES: Develop a simple and accurate way to measure activity rhythms in *Cancer borealis* and determine the importance and effect of photoperiod, tidal cycle, temperature, salinity, age, sex and stage of the reproductive and molting cycles on its activity and movements.

APPROACH: Crabs will be maintained under varying regimes of temperature, salinity, photoperiod and tidal cycle. The crabs will be tested in aquaria utilizing photocells connected to a recording device to measure activity under these different conditions. Observations will be made on crabs of both sexes, various ages and different physiological states, such as molt phase and reproductive condition, determine how these factors effect responses to solar and lunar rhythms. A knowledge of these factors and periods of optimum activity should provide basic information to the crabbing industry in relation to the timing and techniques of harvesting this species. This study might also lead to the ability to advance the reproductive season or increase the number of annual reproductive periods in *C. borealis* and, therefore, make commercial aquaculture of crabs a profitable venture.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Data obtained from measurements of locomotor activity of *Cancer irroratus* held under varying photoperiods is presently being reanalyzed to determine if size or stage of the molt cycle influenced the amplitude or periodicity of activity

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.110\* CRIS0070148  
BEHAVIOR, ECOLOGY AND RHYTHMICITY IN THE COMMON ROCK  
CRAB

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Proj. No.: MEX-PR-0001-URF4S Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSFS Period: 15 MAR 76 To 14 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop a method to maintain crabs under laboratory conditions for prolonged periods. Develop a simple and accurate method to measure activity rhythms. Determine the importance and effect of photoperiod, tidal cycle, temperature, salinity, age, sex and stage of reproductive and molt cycles on activity and movement. Study population structure and the distribution of *Cancer irroratus*. Determine the nutritional requirements of experimental animals.

APPROACH: Design and construct a recirculating, temperature-controlled activity testing facility. Design infrared photoelectric cell sensors, amplify signal, record and collect data. Measure activity rhythms under varying conditions of photoperiod, tidal cycle, temperature, salinity, age, sex, reproductive and molt cycles. Develop a high-protein pelletized diet and compare to other feeds that might be used in commercial mariculture of crustacea. Analyze population structure utilizing catch data on size, sex ratio, and distribution in various local areas.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. In studies of the ecology and behavior of the common rock crab (*Cancer irroratus*) (Febach, 1977, 1978) conducted in the laboratory, it was necessary to maintain 20 to 50 animals for periods in excess of one year. A pelletized diet developed by the principal investigator was compared to other diets fed to the crabs and resulted in greater weight gain, lower mortality and greater molt success in the laboratory. The high levels of calcium and phosphate maythion diet may contribute to molt success and survival. It has been hypothesized that the physical form and high water stability of the pellets were especially suited to benthic decapod crustaceans. The pellets can be stored in the laboratory for indefinite periods, are easy to handle and can be adapted to mechanical delivery systems.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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004.111 CRIS0077475  
THE FATE AND EFFECTS OF CHEMICALS IN AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: MICH03078-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 26 DEC 78 To 25 DEC 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop and test laboratory methods for evaluating the fate and chronic toxicity of agricultural and industrial chemicals in aquatic environments. Determine the environmental requirements of aquatic organisms that are useful indicators of water quality.

APPROACH: Simple laboratory microcosms and semi-natural aquatic environments, i.e. experimental ponds and streams treated with chemicals to determine the fate and toxicity of chemicals to selected aquatic organisms. Various aquatic species will be reared in the laboratory to determine their value as test organisms.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Beta-naphthoflavone was found to stimulate in-vitro metabolism of two selected substrates over that of untreated goldfish. This is the first confirmation of the induction in goldfish and establishes the basis for further identification of sublethal effects of chemicals in aquatic ecosystems. Reproductive performance in mink was suboptimum when fed diets containing 30% Great Lakes fish on fish scraps. Because PCB levels in Great Lakes fish have declined, this study is continuing to evaluate the possible value of this food source for commercial mink production.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.112 CRIS0012981  
FARM FISH POND MANAGEMENT

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Proj. No.: MICH00064 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 22 JUL 44 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Estimate production of plants and animals per unit area or volume of water in farm type ponds, and natural ponds. Determine extent fertilization of ponds will increase production of fish food (plankton, insects) and fish. Devise practical management programs for farm ponds; this includes the number of fish to plant and harvest. Detect and measure possible detrimental effects of use of fertilizers in fish ponds.

APPROACH: Measurement release of stored nutrients in the subaqueous soils by addition of chelating (EDTA, etc.) materials to the waters. Tracing the paths of nutrients added to the waters through tagging nutrients with radioactive tracers ( $P^{32}$ ), rates of fixation of nutrients and accumulation of organic material (basic productivity) will be measured by the  $C^{14}$  light-and-dark bottle technic. Input of solar radiation will be measured.

PROGRESS: 44/07 TO 79/10. The research has contributed significantly to the management techniques of fish ponds in northern, midwestern areas of the United States. These techniques relate to the stocking densities of fish, the species of fish suitable, fertilization rates for ponds and fish and fish food relationships. Northern ponds must be stocked and fertilized differently than southern ponds in many aspects. Competition among sport versus rough fish in ponds results in reduced growth rates of sport fish when ponds are fertilized. This results apparently from lower dissolved oxygen levels in fertilized ponds. Raising of catfish in Michigan for sale is successful when starting the season with advanced fingerlings.

PUBLICATIONS: 44/07 TO 79/10

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004.113 CRIS0012996  
ECOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIPS OF PESTICIDES, RADIONUCLIDES & NUTRIENTS WITH ORGANISMS IN AQUATIC COMMUNIT

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Proj. No.: MICH00940 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 11 MAR 64 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate amount, storage, build-up and release of pesticides under varying biological and chemical conditions.

APPROACH: Studies on contamination and levels necessary to produce injury, debility, sterility or mortality will be conducted. The physiological effects of pesticides on energy exchange measured at the cellular level. Direct bioassay and gas chromatography employed to monitor the accumulation



of pesticides in aquatic systems. Determine site of damage and identification of effects of detergents, metallic ions, BOD and other chemicals. Rate of transfer, buildup and exchange within the biota of aquatic systems will be determined.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Gross primary productivity (phytoplankton) and community respiration were measured in western Lake Erie in the vicinity of the Monroe Power Plant to assess the impact of the once-through cooling system waters on the aquatic ecosystem. Samples were collected from the lake and river source waters; the discharge canal, where water temperature increased 6 to 10 C after passage through the condensers; and the thermal plume. Data were collected monthly for one year for preoperational estimates and for one year for post-operational estimates. The temperature increase of the water mass from the passage through the power plant usually resulted in a depression of the productivity in the discharge canal waters. Corresponding community respiration rates almost doubled as a result of elevated water temperature. Depressed productivity recovered partially as the water mass cooled and moved through the canal. A slight simulation occurred as ambient temperatures were approached in the lake proper. Elevated respiration rates decreased as the water mass cooled. The study revealed the impact of the thermal discharge to be significant over a small area; however, the phytoplankton community did recover.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### 004.114 CRIS0054680 MECHANISTIC FACTORS DETERMINE AQUATIC FERTILITY

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Proj. No.: MICL01387-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 81 To 30 SEP 86

OBJECTIVES: Determination of factors causing bluegreen algal dominance in ponds, lakes, and reservoirs. Determination of the role of the aquatic animal community in determining type and amount of aquatic plant production. Establishment of management criteria for maintenance of the optimal aquatic community and for optimal nutrient use, recycle, and removal within ponds, lakes and reservoirs.

APPROACH: A combination of laboratory microcosms and field study in enriched ponds will be used to determine the mechanisms controlling each portion of the aquatic ecosystem as well as the interactive feedback controls among and between the various physical, chemical and biological components.

#### 004.115\* CRIS0075621 ECOLOGY OF FISHES AND LIMNOLOGY OF UPPER GREAT LAKES AND TRIBUTARIES IN RELATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

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Proj. No.: MICL01312 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Understand the biology and ecology of fishes in near-shore waters of Lake Michigan near Ludington, Michigan, and in selected tributaries of Lake Michigan. Examine limnological aspects in these waters including temperature, water transparency, turbidity, dissolved oxygen, and benthos. Relate findings to impacts of resource utilization, and to agencies responsible for the management of important sport and commercial fish species.

APPROACH: Sample adult, juvenile, and larval fishes using standard gill nets, trawls, seines, and meter nets during ice-free periods. Identify species and record total numbers and weights for each method. Record length, weight, sex and age for individuals of all species and determine food habits and fecundity for selected species. Determine limnological parameters at location of fish sampling sites.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies continued in four areas: impacts on Lake Michigan fisheries from the Ludington Pumped Storage Power Plant; ecology of connecting waters between Lakes Superior and Huron (St. Mary's River) in relation to winter navigation; fish stock assessment in Whitefish Bay, Lake Superior; ecology of fish in the Ked Cedar River. Losses of larval, juvenile, and adult fishes (mainly alewives, smelt, and salmonids) were greater at Ludington than for any other existing power plants on Lake Michigan. Regulatory agencies are now using results to determine a mitigation policy for Michigan. Forty-seven fish species use the St. Mary's River, and young of important sport fish depend upon aquatic plants in shallow water for food and protection. Shallow areas are most likely to be impacted from winter shipping. Adult fish were dominated by lake herring, yellow perch, smelt, northern pike, and white sucker. At least 18 species spawn successfully in the St. Mary's River. Commercial catches of whitefish in Whitefish Bay were comprised mainly of Ages V, VI, and VII Fish. Average catch was 69.7 kg. Results are used by the U.S. Department of Interior to assess stocksize.

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#### 004.116\* CRIS0012668 AN EVALUATION OF WIDELY USED HERBICIDES ON AQUATIC PLANTS, FISH AND FISH-FOOD ORGANISMS

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Proj. No.: MICL00959 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 28 OCT 64 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Assess the influence of total alkalinity, pH and temperature of the water on the effectiveness of several widely used herbicides. Test the effect of weed control by chemical means on fish-food organisms. Evaluate fertilization as a method of controlling higher aquatic plants.

APPROACH: Preliminary work in the laboratory will include study of influence of water quality on effectiveness of various herbicides. Toxicity of herbicides to fish will be studied in conjunction with the laboratory, experiments. While some fertilization studies can be done in the laboratory, the major effort here will be in farm ponds and small lakes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Lake Lansing, Michigan was treated with sodium arsenite for aquatic weed control in 1957. Two 2.5 m cores from deep portions of the lake basin showed the historical consequence of this treatment. Maxima of 330-340 µg As/g - 1 dry weight occurred at depth interval 0.15-0.30 m; background was 17-20 ppm As. An arsenic mass balance budget for

the lake for June 1978 to June 1979 showed it lost more arsenic than it received from the watershed. Internal loading of the water from the sediments was occurring; the surface of the sediments in greater than 85% of the lake had concentrations 2-6 times background. From laboratory experiments, we hypothesize  $Fe^{3+}$  controls As concentration over aerobic sediments; As(III) increases in anoxic water with conversion of  $Fe^{3+}$  to  $Fe^{2+}$  and As(V) to As(III) at the sediment surface. As(III) in water decreases during prolonged anoxia by reaction with  $S^{2-}$ . As(III) and  $Fe^{2+}$  are oxidized upon aeration of anoxic water, and As(V) is taken out of solution with ferric iron in a manner similar to phosphate. Arsenic measurements in the lake over an annual cycle fit these expectations. Studies are underway to determine the impact of the annual arsenic cycle on fish food organisms of the lake.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**EFFECTS OF AQUATIC PLANT COMMUNITIES ON WATER QUALITY IN HYPEREUTROPHIC AQUATIC ENVIRONMENT**

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Proj. No.: MICL01157 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 12 APR 73 To 30 SEP 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop management strategies for aquatic plants in water purification systems.

**APPROACH:** Effects of submersed plants will be assayed for growth rate, seed production and seed success; effect on pH,  $O_2$  and redox; and uptake of macronutrients, micronutrients and toxic metals in wastewater ponds. Elements will be measured in pond influents and effluents so that efficiencies of removal by plant communities can be calculated.

**PROGRESS:** 73/04 TO 79/10. The crop producing species of submersed vascular plants of municipal wastewater ponds in Michigan are restricted to a few representatives of the regional flora. *Potamogeton foliosus*, *Elodea canadensis*, and *Ceratophyllum demersum* are principal among them. *Lemna minor* is commonly abundant on the surface of these ponds. The latter is a bio-accumulator of boron relative to other species of aquatic macrophytes. A maximum annual yield of 400 g dry weight per meter square can be expected from harvest of aquatic vascular plants from hypereutrophic ponds in Michigan. This yield would remove a quantity of phosphorus equivalent to 20-25% of the total phosphorus influent in the growing season to ponds having a retention time on the order of 28 days. Similarly calculated estimates are 50-70% for nitrogen, 80-100% for manganese, 20-30% for iron, 5-10% for copper and zinc, and 1-3% for cadmium, chromium, cobalt and nickel.

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**ECOLOGY OF ANAEROBIC HETEROTROPHIC BACTERIA**

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Proj. No.: MICL03120 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 72 To 16 JUL 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the extent of degradation of blue-green algal cells in anaerobic lake sediments; establish the rate limiting stage in this decomposition; elucidate the role of the heterotrophic organisms in the metabolism of volatile fatty acids evolved during this decomposition.

**APPROACH:** Establish the rate of loading of algae in to the sediments and establishment of pool sizes of intermediates and products evolved during its decomposition. The kinetics of the turnover of radioactively labeled intermediates are followed in laboratory reactions and from this information the rate limiting processes are determined.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies on anaerobic decomposition in lake sediments were continued through a study of the distribution and mineralization of sulfur containing compounds in sediments. Approximately 46 and 42% of the annual total sulfur and ester sulfate sulfur, and 75% of the calculated protein-sulfur inputs were mineralized in sediments. Activity of alky-aryl sulphydrolase were readily demonstrated in sediments. However, ester sulfate hydrolysis only represented 10% of the sulfate consumed in the sediments. We conclude that organic sulfur compounds are more slowly mineralized than other organic compounds and that they constitute a significant contribution to end products of lake sediment diagenesis such as coal and oil deposits.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**EFFECTS OF POLLUTANTS ON GILLS OF FRESHWATER FISHES**

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Agency ID: CSVMV-0010 Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop the isolated perfused gill preparation as a model for the study of the effect of pollutants on fish.

**APPROACH:** Experimental investigation of the permeability properties (flux of water across) isolated perfused gills and the effect of pollutants on same, a study of the salt transport capabilities (ATPase levels) in gills exposed to pollutants, and biotransformation of pollutants by gills during transit of materials from the ventilate to the blood vascular space. Test toxicologically some 'model' compounds which represent classes of chemical compounds found in the process water from in situ gasification of coal.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980 research continued on development of the isolated trout gill preparation as a model for the study of the effects of pollutants on fish. Movement of tritiated water from a bath solution into the vascular compartment is a good qualitative measure of diffusive transfer capacity (PdA) of the gill. PdA is not constant but can be altered by changes in physical factors such as ventilation, total blood flow, blood pressure, pattern of blood flow and the exchange surfaces and by varying the number of lamellae (exchange surfaces) perfused. These factors which are regulated by humoral and neural means provides fish with elegant control of diffusional mass transport of materials across their gills. In acute experiments of 4 hours duration increasing the acidity of the bath from pH 7.2 to 3.5 by addition of sulfuric acid had no effect on PdA but it did increase gill vascular resistance. This response was greater in gills perfused with saline alone than in those perfused with saline



containing epinephrine, a potent dilator of gill vessels. In separate experiments with frogs it was found that acid stress caused a reduction in short-circuit current and electrical conductance of isolated skins but with intact animals there was no change in osmotic permeability upon exposure to acid conditions. The data supports the hypothesis that acid stress decreases influx of sodium ions into skins thereby reducing active (inward) sodium transport.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**TAXONOMY, BIOLOGY, AND ECOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIPS OF AQUATIC INSECTS**

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Proj. No.: MIN-17-017 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 63 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Study the taxonomy and biology of Orthocladinae (Chironomidae: Diptera) and Hydropsychidae (Trichoptera) and other aquatic taxa and further out knowledge of the aquatic insect fauna of Minnesota. The completion of such studies will help to make possible meaningful environmental impact statements in regard to aquatic habitats.

**APPROACH:** Systematic studies of selected genera will require anatomical, distributional, life history and ecological investigations. The attempt will be made to incorporate work with living material but not to the exclusion of preserved museum specimens.

**PROGRESS:** 63/07 TO 81/06. This project was originally concerned with biological studies of systematic problems in Arthropods. The groups worked with initially were Aphididae and Anoplura and there were several papers published on the Anoplura studies that resulted. In 1967 the project was restricted to include groups in a systematic fashion throughout the state. All of this material has been incorporated into the insect collection where it is readily available to interested investigators. Specific biological and systematic investigations were also started in 1967. The results of such studies have been published, are in press or (in 3 instances) are still in preparation on coleoptera (Enocbrus and Hygrois); Ephemeroptera (Tricorythodes and Callibaetis); Diptera (Chaoboridae and Chironomidae, Diamesa, Polypedilum, and Microtendipes); and the semiaquatic Hemiptera of Minnesota.

**PUBLICATIONS: 63/07 TO 81/06**

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**ECOLOGY, POPULATION DYNAMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF MULTI-SPECIES FISH RESOURCES OF LARGE LAKES**

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Proj. No.: MIN-17-077 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** To develop an improved biological basis for the management of the fish communities of large lakes through an increased understanding of interspecific relationships; analysis of the role of fishery exploitation in the dynamics of fish communities; and use of simulation modelling to

explore the impact of management measures on the structure and productivity of fish communities.

**APPROACH:** The response of lake whitefish to predation by sea lampreys will be estimated by analysis of stock dynamics prevailing during the years preceding and following lamprey control. The role of fishery exploitation will be examined with respect to its effects in competition with lampreys for available whitefish and as a singular force of mortality on smelt. Results of these studies will be synthesized into simulation models for the exploration of management strategies appropriate to multi-species fish communities.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980 the biological basis for management of lake whitefish (*Coregonus clupeaformis*) was examined with respect to stock discreteness in Canadian waters of Lake Huron. Data from tagging studies together with electrophoretic, morphometric and meristic data were analyzed to determine the utility of these approaches in defining stock discreteness. Recoveries of tagged fish indicated the existence of at least 11 stocks differing sufficiently in their population characteristics that yield to the fishery could be significantly influenced by stock-specific management. Electrophoretic analyses indicated that genetic differences between Lake Huron stocks were fewer than those detected between Lake Huron and inland lake populations. Morphological characteristics were relatively insensitive indicators of stock discreteness. Estimates of the influence of lamprey predation on one of these stocks and a preliminary analysis of lamprey stock structure in the Great Lakes were published in 1980. An analysis of the effects of exploitation on smelt (*Osmerus mordax*) was initiated in 1980 with an examination of gillnet selectivity. Comparison of length distribution from graded mesh experimental nets indicated that mesh sizes greater than 38 cm. (stretched measure) were relatively unselective with respect to smelt size. Tabulation of historical data and verification of ages from scale samples will be completed in 1981.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**TOXICITY AND ECOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF SELECTED INSECTICIDES AND HERBICIDES**

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Proj. No.: MISS-PR-0002-1976-2 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 18 MAY 76 To 17 MAY 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the toxicity level for Mirex, Toxaphene, Methyl parathion, EPN, Treflan, Cotolan with MSMA and Dyanap. Assess the long-term effects of the above mentioned insecticides and herbicides on selected fish and fish food organisms.

**APPROACH:** Toxicity levels of commonly used insecticides (carbamates, organophosphorus and chlorinated hydrocarbon) will be determined for selected animal species. Continuous flow-thru and static bio-assay tests will be conducted. The long-term effects on growth rate, reproductive success and natural animal mortality will be assessed. Biological magnification of chlorinated compounds due to normal usage and accidental

contamination will be investigated.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This year trials were conducted on National Pickling and Carolina Gynecious varieties of cucumbers. This was done in continuation of the field trials of 1979, which evaluated the effect of Naptalam on the sex expression of cucumber. Applications of Alanap were made at the rate of 1, 2, and 4 lbs. per acre. It was found that at application of 2 lbs. of Alanap increased femaleness in the National Pickling variety and also increased the number of abortive flowers in the control and treatments. A series of trials were undertaken in the greenhouse. It was found that only one application of 25 microliters of Naptalam in a dilution of 10-2 stopped the growth of the main stem and enhanced the number of axillary branches. This indicated a loss of apical dominance; therefore, it can be concluded that Naptalam or its metabolite directly or indirectly affects the endogenous auxin system of the cucumber. An application of 10 microliters of 10-2 and 10-3 dilutions of Naptalam decreased maleness of 52% and 15%, but increased femaleness by 77% and 10%, respectively. There was no significant difference in the number of abortive flowers in the control and treatment groups. The effects of Naptalam on sex expression confirmed the assumption formulated in previous studies. Keeping in view the sequence of male and female flowers under normal conditions, it can be further assumed that the application of Naptalam has a close relationship with aging.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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MIREX FEEDING STUDY IN CHANNEL CATFISH (ICTALURUS PUNCTATUS)

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Proj. No.: MIS-0837

Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 18 APR 79 TO 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine the mathematical relationships between dietary intake of mirex and ferramicide and the resulting whole body residues. Determine time/dose response relationships between dietary intake of mirex and ferramicide and whole body residues, selected tissue residues, mortality, pathophysiology of certain organs, growth and collagen formation. Determine correlation between mirex and ferramicide whole-body residues with organ residues, pathophysiology of organs and mortality.

APPROACH: Fifty channel catfish will be maintained in each of 45 separate 200-L tanks. Body weights of fish in each tank will be made every two weeks throughout the experiments. In separate experiments, 8 levels of mirex and ferramicide will be administered in a defined synthetic diet. Each dose level will be fed to fish in 4 or 5 tanks for 52 weeks. Fish fed each dose level and appropriate controls will be sacrificed at prescribed intervals and appropriate samples collected for assay and histopathology.

Pesticide levels in feed, water and fish scales will be analyzed at the National Monitoring and Residue Analysis Laboratory, USDA, Gulfport, Mississippi.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Forty-eight groups of fish in separate aquariums were fed purified mirex at levels of 0.01 - 32.0 ppm in a purified fish diet. Tissues collected at intervals up to 240 days were subjected to quantitative mirex analysis and histopathologic examinations. Growth rates and collagen assays were also determined. There were no histopathologic nor growth parameter changes that could be correlated with exposure rates of mirex. Results of mirex analysis indicated a direct correlation between total dietary intake and tissue residue levels. The kinetic and mathematical models have yet to be completed. The feeding segment of the project was terminated at 240 days (January 6, 1981) due to excessive mortality resulting from several outbreaks of Aeromonas hydrophila attributable to stress factors. Statistical analysis to determine if there is any time/dose relationship between dietary intake of mirex and morbidity or mortality is underway. The project will terminate in April 1981, at which time the objectives of this project will have been completed.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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ECOLOGICAL STUDY OF CUTOFF BENDWAYS AND OXBOWS WITHIN THE TENNESSEE-TOMBIGHEE WATERWAY

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Proj. No.: MIS-0840

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SACS

Period: 01 OCT 79 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Obtain data on the value of cutoff bendways as aquatic habitat relative to other defined waterway aquatic habitats. Define the ecological and hydraulic factors important in cutoff bendway development and maintenance. Provide data useful in design and management of bendways to achieve environmental quality objectives.

APPROACH: Bathymetry, sedimentation rates, etc. will be provided by the ACE. Sampling will correspond to the four normal seasonal river stages at four selected cutoff bendways and two oxbows. Fish populations will be sampled with hoop and gill nets, minnow traps, and by electrofishing. Benthic, sediment, phytoplankton, and water quality samples will be analyzed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Oxbow lakes were deleted from the study after the December 1979 sampling, but bendway study sites remained the same. Bendway cutoff channels and impoundment of the river behind lock and dam complexes were the two overriding ecological factors influencing the results. The alteration of current or flow patterns is a dominant factor in the changing Tombighee riverine ecosystem. Current in bendways with cutoff channels averaged less than one-half of the current in the river above and below the bendway. There was no difference in current between the river and within the bendway where there was no cutoff channel. The bendway with no cutoff channel had little stratification, but cutoff, bendways had distinct dissolved oxygen stratification from July through September. Lower water column strata often had less than 2.0 mg/l dissolved oxygen. Above normal sediment deposition occurred in some bendways. Plankton density was generally greater within bendways than in the river proper. Higher numbers of species and numbers of fish caught corresponded to the bendways with older cutoff channels. Length of time since the creation of the cutoff channel and the impoundment of the pool may be important from the standpoint of allowing the new ecosystem to mature. Greatest benthic diversity occurred in the bendway with no cutoff channel. Greatest macrophyte density occurred in the oldest impounded bendway.



PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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004.125 CRIS0082872  
WINTER FEEDING OF CHANNEL CATFISH IN MISSISSIPPI

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Proj. No.: MIS-0851 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 NOV 80 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate growth rates, economic implications and water quality of fingerling and food-sized channel catfish winter feeding programs.

APPROACH: There will be four treatments (two experimental feeds two fish sizes) and two controls (no feed x two fish sizes) each replicated three times (18 .04 ha ponds). Fish will be fed as a percent of body weight depending upon water temperature. Fish weight gain, survival, feed conversion and body proximate analysis will be analyzed using a two-way ANOVA. Economic and water quality evaluations will be conducted.

PROGRESS: 80/11 TO 80/12. Project was initiated 15 Nov 1980. All ponds were stocked and feeding adjusted to water temperature is proceeding.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/11 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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EFFECTS OF SEDIMENTS ON BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: 7415-20805-004 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 13 MAR 79 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine effects of sediments and other products of agriculture, particularly of primary and secondary production, and on production, composition, and quality of fisheries.

APPROACH: Research on primary and secondary productivity in the food chain will be done by comparing lakes with sediment problems and similar lakes with none. Production will be monitored in aquatic systems where agricultural practices are increasing sediment loads and where conservation practices are decreasing loads. Evaluation will be made to find relationships between sediments, both suspended and deposited, and biological activities to determine changes in communities caused by sediment stress. In addition to a similar approach, controlled experiments are planned on relationships between fish and sediments.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 80/09. A 3 year biological field study on Bear Creek, a flatland watershed, was completed. Research centered upon the effects of sediments and other products of agricultural runoff upon the structure of aquatic communities. Collections of net plankton, benthos, coliform bacteria, BOD's, fishes and aquatic and semi-aquatic plants were supplemented with suspended and deposited sediment data, physical and nutrient chemical parameters, and residual pesticide data. Ecological studies on Lake Chicot were continued with major emphasis on chlorophyll-suspended sediment relationships. Primary productivity, the basis of the aquatic food chain was dependent upon suspended sediment levels and their influence upon light penetration. In the isolated upper lake, where suspended sediment concentrations were much lower, productivity levels were much higher. Lake Chicot studies are being continued under a new WRU.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 80/09  
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004.127\* CRIS0065163  
EFFECTS OF AN ALTERED TEMPERATURE REGIME AND CHEMICAL CONTAMINANTS ON THE AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM

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Proj. No.: MC00171 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 19 APR 74 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Ascertain effect of altered thermal regime on incidence of diseased fish, growth of diseased fish, and their resistance to thermal stress. Ascertain effect of altered thermal regime on reproduction in fishes. Ascertain the degradation products of phthalic acid (PAEs) in the hydrosol and their effects on microbial processes. Ascertain effects on phthalic acid on aquatic insects in the hydrosol.

APPROACH: Fish sampled from thermal effluent and reservoir will indicate incidence of lymphocystis. Infected & healthy fish and experimentally for difference in growth & temperature stress. Caged control fish & fish in thermal effluent fed ad libitum. Reproduction cycle and fecundity determined from gonads. Eggs & larvae tested for differences in viability. Natural hydrosols & their microbial populations will be subjected to PAEs. Nitrogen, sulfur and phosphate cycles will be monitored to determine effects of PAEs. PAEs will be added to cultures of the blood worm and egg production, viability, and emergence will be monitored.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. However, some of our earlier work (Jennings 1979) was used and incorporated by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers in their "Missouri River Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project Draft Feasibility Report and Draft EIS for the Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Plan" for the Missouri River. Life history aspects of the southern cavefish, from springs and caves of Camden County were studied. Length frequency distributions failed to delineate age groups, nor did the scales, indicating continuous growth in their constant environment. A sex ratio of 0.56 males to 1.0 females was found and did not vary with increasing length. Spawning appears to occur in May because of the decrease in the gonosomatic index. Females matured at 45 mm and egg number ranged from 20 to 80. Only one male, 58 mm, was mature, the internal anatomy was described by gross dissection and histological sectioning.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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004.128 CRIS0077908  
ECOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT OF MISSOURI STREAM FISHES

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Proj. No.: MO-00178 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 79 TO 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: The determine the ecological factors governing the distribution, abundance and growth of Missouri stream fishes; develop management strategies for these fishes.

APPROACH: The ecological factors determining the distribution, abundance, and growth of Missouri stream fishes will be determined using correlative field evidence and experimental manipulation of ecological parameters, both in the field and in the laboratory. Missouri streams will be characterized by their physical, chemical, and biological characteristics. These in turn will be related to fish species distribution and their production. A management strategy will be developed for certain fishes based on their ecology and the desires of the

public.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A study is underway on population of rock bass (*Ambloplites rupestris*) smallmouth bass (*Micropterus dolomieu*) and redbreast (*Moxostoma* spp.) in the Current and Jacks Fork rivers in southern Missouri. This investigation is examining the population dynamics of these important sport species in relation to habitat, food resources and fishing pressure. It should be completed during 1981. A new study is beginning on use of seasonally flooded lowland hardwood wetlands as spawning and nursery areas by many sport and commercial stream fishes. These areas are adjacent to the Mingo River in southeastern Missouri and appear to be critical to maintaining the excellent fishery in the area. Fieldwork on this study is scheduled to begin in early 1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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AQUATIC INSECTS AS INDICATORS OF WATER QUALITY AND  
PRODUCTIVITY: A COORDINATED STUDY

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Proj. No.: MCN800418 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Correlate water quality with the presence of specific aquatic invertebrates. Develop and publish keys for the aquatic invertebrates of Montana. Measure changes at various areas being developed for mining, recreation, or agricultural activities.

APPROACH: Survey of species present in all areas of state, concurrent with water analysis for quality data. Entails: Collecting, identifying, curating, chemicals analysis. Publishing of survey data with distributional records and keys to Montana species of aquatic invertebrates. Sampling of areas where development is taking place to document changes as they occur. Recommend alternate plans, where feasible, to ameliorate undesirable environmental changes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/06. A survey of the aquatic insects of Montana was carried out and several hundred thousand specimens were collected, identified and curated. This data has added tremendously to the known distribution and importance of the many species in Montana and in the country. Identification keys were developed and published for Zygoptera and Hemiptera and a number of other groups were partially organized with keys in mind. A computer program correlating water quality parameters with aquatic community composition of invertebrates was developed and will be used extensively to determine and predict changes in communities when water quality characteristics change. Baseline studies in eastern Montana coal fields and in other developmentally impacted areas was carried out and will be used in the computer program noted. Ecological succession of aquatic invertebrate communities in newly established ponds was studied with the objective in mind of establishing the richness and diversity of these communities with the potential of the ponds in supporting duckling populations. A study on the biology, energy flow, and limnology of alpine lakes in the Beartooth Plateau primitive area was carried out but is not as yet analyzed.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/06  
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BARIL, S.F. 1978. Benthic Invertebrate Distribution, Abundance and Diversity in Rosebud Creek, Montana. M.S. Thesis.  
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004.130 CRIS0079701  
IMPACT OF EROSION SILT AND SEDIMENTATION ON FISH  
REPRODUCTION AND GROWTH

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Proj. No.: NEB-26-001 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 14 AUG 79 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Describe populations of fishes exposed to different levels of turbidity, describe behavioral reactions of fish species to turbidity and sediment, determine effects of turbidity and sediment control techniques on fish populations.

APPROACH: Collect, measure, mark and release fish to determine population size, growth rates and movement patterns; tag fish with radio transmitters to determine local movements; experimentally manipulate turbidity levels to determine reaction of fishes in field and in laboratory streams.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Total inventory of fish populations in a turbid reservoir. This is providing a comparison between mark and recapture population estimates and total inventory - data are being compiled and analyzed at this time. Water clarification using lime has been accomplished. Fish and invertebrate production rates will be compared to preclarification production rates. Impacts of sediment laden runoff on fish populations was documented on several occasions. The most notable occurred at a study site on Maple Creek, Stanton County, Nebraska where fathead minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) densities declined from 28.6  $\pm$  2 before the runoff event to 1.71/m<sup>2</sup> after the event. Other accomplishments centered on determinations of fish and aquatic invertebrate community structure in areas subjected to different levels of sediment concentration. This is providing baseline information for comparison with future studies.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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INSECTICIDES AND THEIR FORMULATIONS

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Proj. No.: NJ40100 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 24 SEP 59 To 31 DEC 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine the efficiency of newer insecticide formulations in the control of aquatic and terrestrial pest; recommend design modifications for increasing their efficiency; and to determine optimum chronic thresholds of temephos and dursban to aquatic insect pests.

APPROACH: It is planned that most of the research will deal with the following formulations: microencapsulated malathion and fenitrothion (Pennealt Corp; Plastic-core formulations of temephos and chlorpyrifos (Environmental Chemicals and Dow Chemical, respectively); and Microencapsulated formulations of methoprene (Zonecon).

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 81/12. *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis* is effective in the control of *Culex* pipiens at rates of 2 and 4 oz/acre. Any residual effect disappears within 5 days and larval populations rapidly renew themselves. The granular formulations so far examined do not extend the activity of the *Bacillus*.



PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 81/12

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**SALINITY, REDOX POTENTIAL, & MICROBIAL TRANSFORMATIONS OF MERCURY POLLUTANTS IN ESTUARINE SEDIMENTS**

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Proj. No.: NJ01504 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 80 To 30 JUL 81

**OBJECTIVES:** To determine the effect of salinity on aerobic and anaerobic methylation of mercuric ions in estuarine sediments. To determine the effect of salinity on aerobic and anaerobic demethylation of monomethyl and dimethyl mercury in estuarine sediments. To clarify the mode of action of salinity on the methylation and demethylation processes.

**APPROACH:** Sediment samples spiked with  $Hg^{++}$  ions or methylmercury pollutants will be adjusted to different salinities and will be incubated under aerobic or anaerobic conditions. The various forms of mercury will be analyzed by EO-GC and A approaches. The theory that  $SO(4)$  from seawater, after reduction to  $B(2)S(4)$ , makes  $Hg^{++}$  ions unavailable for methylation will be tested.

**PROGRESS:** 80/05 TO 80/12. Microbial methylation of inorganic mercury in aquatic sediments greatly increases the toxicity and biomagnification of this heavy metal pollutant. Experiments with  $Hg^{++}$ -spiked sediments from Northern New Jersey estuaries established that redox potential and salinity strongly influence the rate and extent of mercury methylation. Low redox potential and low salinity favored mercury methylation while aerobic conditions and high salinity had the opposite effect. We are currently examining the theory that in low redox potential - high salinity sediments  $B(2)S$  generated from the sulfate component of sea salts ties up  $B^{++}$  ions and thus renders them less available for microbial methylation.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/05 TO 80/12

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**CHEMICAL CONTROL OF MOSQUITOES OF NUISANCE AND HEALTH IMPORTANCE**

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Proj. No.: NJ40401 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 31 DEC 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the susceptibility of native New Jersey species to newer toxic-specific chemicals; determine the incidence and development of resistance among these species; determine the effect of larval habitat temperature and aquatic pollutants on larval susceptibility; and determine the influence of mosquito age (larval, adult) on susceptibility.

**APPROACH:** In laboratory experiments, larvae and adults of NJ species will be bioassayed for susceptibility to newer compounds. Dependent on results, certain compounds will be subjected to field experiments. Resistance incidence and development will be studied by bioassays of field populations and laboratory colonies subjected to insecticide selection. The effect of larval habitat temperature and of pollution will be studied by varying these factors and correlating them to susceptibility. The influence of age will be studied with similar procedures.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Larvae of most New Jersey mosquito species continue to exhibit susceptibility to the insecticides temephos, fenitrothion and chlorpyrifos. Previous tolerance noted in certain dump populations of *Culex pipiens* has diminished. In contrast to the negative temperature coefficient of chlorinated hydrocarbons, the organophosphate temephos displays a positive temperature coefficient, with toxicity decreasing markedly below 15 degrees C. Toxicity also depends on larval instar generally, but the degree depends on mosquito species and insecticide.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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**FEEDING ECOLOGY OF FISHES UTILIZING MARSHES ALTERED FOR CONTROL OF SALT MARSH MOSQUITOES**

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Proj. No.: NJ40503 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 70 To 30 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** To study the feeding ecology of salt marsh fishes with emphasis on their role as mosquito predators.

**APPROACH:** Survey of fishes utilizing salt marsh altered for mosquito control. Study the food habits of the dominant species as determined from the survey in order to determine the most effective mosquito predator. Identification of larval fishes which occur in mosquito breeding areas because these may be important predators on the early mosquito instars.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Fish populations were sampled throughout the year in both natural marshes and marshes that have been altered for mosquito control. Fish species composition varied between study sites with a typical freshwater assemblage common at sites with freshwater or lower salinities and typical estuarine assemblage at high salinities. *Fundulus heteroclitus*, *F. luciae* and *Cyprinodon variegatus* were dominant estuarine fish while freshwater dominant species were *F. daphnus*, *Gambusia affinis*, *Lepomis gibbosus* and *Notemigonus crysoleucas*. Seasonal changes in both salinity and faunal populations were noted in impoundments.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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TALBOT, C.W., ABLE, K.W., SHISLER, J.K. and COCKEY, D. 1980. Seasonal Variation in Composition of Fresh and Brackish Water Fishes of New Jersey Mosquito Control Impoundments. Proc. N.J. Mosq. Control Assoc. 67:50-63.

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**NATURAL SEED OYSTER BEDS OF THE DELAWARE BAY**

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Proj. No.: NJ32500 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 62 To 01 JAN 99

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop information on and conduct research leading to the goal of disease-free oysters in the Delaware Bay area.

**APPROACH:** Conduct such field and laboratory studies on MSX in oyster populations as required. Advise the Delaware Bay authorities of the best management practices to preserve good seed beds and develop new beds.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The oyster planters of Delaware Bay depend almost exclusively on the State-controlled natural seed beds of the upper Bay for their supply of seed oysters which are planted on

privately-leased beds in the lower Bay. Under this project our laboratory provides basic information on the seed beds and recommendations for their management to the State Division of Fish, Game and Shell-fisheries. In 1980 over 400,000 bushels of seed oysters were removed from the beds in the regular spring planting season. Based on our recommendations, two of the Beds, Egg Island and the Ledge, and a major portion of New Beds, were closed to the taking of seed because of a preponderance of small oysters of the 1978 and 1979 year classes. Following the spring-early summer dredging, a moderate to light general set of 1980 year class oysters occurred on the seed beds. MSX disease mortalities in the 1980 planted stocks were unusually heavy in the summer, fall and early winter of 1980-81. Mortalities in oysters on the lower seed beds were 1/2 to 1/3 those on the planted grounds immediately below the boundary, the Southwest line separating seed beds and leased bottom. Based on these data and those of the preceding 20 years establishing that similar differential mortalities between seed beds and planting grounds have been the general rule.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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SURF CLAM MANAGEMENT STUDIES

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Proj. No.: NJ32503 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 26 JUN 74 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the capacity of inshore surf clam beds near Atlantic City to sustain increased commercial harvest because of the partial depletion of the large offshore beds.

APPROACH: Selected bed areas sampled in 1972 will be open to dredging and two 6-square mile areas including high density clam populations will be closed to commercial harvest. Monitoring of all beds will include settling intensity of larvae, juvenile mortality, juvenile growth, to determine if retaining brood stock is necessary to maintain recruitments.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The surf clam resource off the coast of New Jersey lies both in State waters, inside the three-mile limit, and offshore in Federal waters. Under State and Federal financing the population in New Jersey waters has been under detailed study since 1972, that in Federal waters has had some attention in this project since 1978. New Jersey began its management of the State resource in January 1977 and has based its annual quota and its decisions on areas closed to harvest on the results of our annual inventories. The work in Federal waters has resulted in the closure of a 120-square-mile area off Atlantic City and similar, though smaller, areas off Maryland and Virginia. The closures in all cases have been designed to prevent wasteful harvest of small clams. Until 1976 the New Jersey inshore resource was in steady decline under harvest pressure with no significant recruitment. The 1976 year class of clams set heavily in the Atlantic City area and survived well. The population of this year class in an area extending roughly 20 miles along the coast and centered on Absecon Inlet has more than doubled the standing stock of clams in New Jersey waters between Shark River and Cape May Inlet. The same year class also set and survived in Federal waters. The 120-square-mile closed area off Atlantic City has a population which we estimate at 17 million bushels.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

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OVERBOARD DISPOSAL STUDY

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Proj. No.: NJ32501 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the effects of overboard disposal of dredge spoil on the benthic macroinvertebrate community with particular emphasis on the hard clam, *Mercenaria mercenaria*.

APPROACH: In Absecon Creek, where channel dredging is required for navigation purposes, two study areas have been selected. Following an initial baseline study of both areas, one area has been partially covered by dredge spoil; the second has been held largely undisturbed as a control area. Follow-up studies will be centered largely on recolonization of the spoil area. At selected stations a minimum of 7 Peterson or ponar grabs will be taken and sieved. All + 1 mm organisms will be sorted out, identified and counted to enable description of community structure, diversity and biomass. Complete sampling of all areas will be done quarterly. Experimental plantings of small clams before and periodically after dredging will permit detailed studies of the effect of dredging on mortalities, growth and condition. Invertebrate data will be supplemented by water quality studies and geological studies designed to determine effects of dredging disturbance on nutrient releases from the bottom and stability of bottom as it affects survival and growth of clam.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Overboard disposal of dredge spoil has resulted in a dramatic effect on benthic infaunal polychaetes. Water chemistry (nutrients), benthic nutrient cycling, sediment structure, and benthic invertebrate communities all were affected. Some effects were transitory. Effects upon nutrient regeneration from bottom sediments, structure of bottom sediments, and benthic invertebrates in the dredge spoil have persisted. The Control Site and the Dredged Channel Site showed marked differences in nutrient cycling and in the benthic invertebrate community following dredging. Both have since returned to pre-dredge levels. The Dredge Spoil Site remains in a disturbed condition with respect to the sediments, nutrient cycling, and the invertebrate community. Regeneration of ammonium-N from bottom muds is suppressed below the rates observed in the Control Site and in the Dredged Channel Site. Counts of benthic invertebrates remain high and the dominant organisms exhibit both wide fluctuations in numbers and higher counts than during the pre-dredge time. Species make-up at the Dredge Spoil Site is unstable. Different species have shown explosive growth in numbers at different times but not according to a particular sequence. At this time it is not possible to estimate when stability will be reached.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.138 CRIS0081257  
BIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF THE AGE AND GROWTH RATE OF THE OCEAN QUAHOG *ARCTICA ISLANDICA*

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Proj. No.: NJ32505 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 SEP 79 To 15 MAR 81

OBJECTIVES: Analyze seasonal and/or annual variation in growth patterns within the shell of the ocean quahog, *Arctica islandica*. Determine the relationship between dissolved oxygen and shell structural changes in *A. islandica*. Determine the age of various sized specimens of *A. islandica* from natural populations off New England and New Jersey.

APPROACH: Analyze fractured sections and growth surfaces of clams from field and laboratory experiments dealing with burrowing activity of clams. Label specimens with strontium chloride and place in field. Analyze acetate peels and fractured sections (using optical and scanning electron microscopy) of clams sacrificed during various times of the year.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Ocean quahog (*Arctica islandica*) shells were collected at approximately monthly intervals from two separate localities (Narragansett, RI and Cape May, NJ) for an entire year. Analyses conducted to date of longitudinally sectioned and fractured shells suggest that internal banding patterns may reflect annual cycles of growth. One and only one prismatic sublayer was formed within the shells of specimens from the Narragansett population during the year in which the organisms were sampled. Cooperative laboratory and field studies with Dr. Alan Taylor from the University of Glasgow have revealed no relationship between dissolved oxygen concentration (and/or burrowing activity) and internal shell banding patterns in *A. islandica*. No detectable shell growth was observed in ocean quahogs experimentally planted in 90 ft. of water off Cape May, NJ during the period from May to August, 1980. Cooperative field studies with Dr. Roger Mann of Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution revealed similar slow growth rates in New England waters. Results of our studies were presented to the shellfish industry and individuals from state and federal agencies at the annual meeting of the Shellfish Institute of North America. It is concluded that the growth of this species is exceedingly slow relative to the majority of other species of bivalves and that the maximum age of specimens in natural populations may be in excess of 50 years.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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this community that could result from changes in P and Si loading.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Interactions between light and nutrient may be particularly important in controlling growth of phytoplankton in deep stratified lakes such as Cayuga because there are often distinct vertical gradients of both properties in the mixed layer. The objective of the current research has been to investigate these interactions with experiments on both mixed natural assemblages and single species in pure culture. The experiments with mixed assemblages have been made by impounding samples of water from Cayuga Lake in large volume continuous flow apparatus maintained in the laboratory. Effects of perturbations of nutrients, light and temperature on growth rate, chemical composition and species makeup of contained communities were measured in a series of four experiments run during the Summers of 1979 and 1980. Data from these experiments is still being analyzed. The results of the mixed population experiments will be compared with parallel studies on single species in pure culture. For this purpose Mr. David Mitchell has isolated a diatom, *Cyclotella glomerata* from Cayuga Lake. This is now axenic culture. During the summer of 1980 he ran a series of experiments on growth of this alga under various light, temperature and nutrient conditions using continuous culture facilities of Dr. G. Y. Rhee of the N.Y. State Department of Public Health in Albany. These studies are being completed here at Cornell.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### RESEARCH IN SYSTEMS ECOLOGY

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Proj. No.: NYC-183315

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JAN 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Completion and publication of "Yield per effort and net energy analysis of the American Petroleum Industry", including sensitivity analysis of underlying assumptions. Extension of methodology to other energy-related issues and to a more general economic format if and as appropriate. Completion and publication of three papers on concentration and production patterns for oxygen, nutrients and fish in New York and Massachusetts estuaries. Integrate these studies as possible to look at the relation between nutrient patterns, low oxygen and fish production.

APPROACH: Collate statistics from the U.S. petroleum industry and examine relation between effort, yield, and energy cost of effort. Finish statistical and computer analysis of fish, nutrients and oxygen. Quantify data on a per square meter basis. Relate patterns of fish production over space and especially time to patterns of primary production, nutrient supply and low oxygen. If and as time and data permit develop a general estuarine model to predict fish production from data on nutrients oxygen and other environmental parameters. Test model against other data sets.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During the past year we have successfully completed one of the major parts of our proposed work (analysis of U.S. Petroleum Industry history using methods borrowed from fisheries analysis) and have made significant progress on two other parts of our research. More specifically, the petroleum analysis is in press in Science and will be coming out in about a month. We have finished the conceptual analysis of the North River Estuary studies, including a set of computer analysis and the preparation of what is essentially a final draft manuscript. We have some final sensitivity analysis to run, after which the manuscript will be ready for internal review and submission. We believe that will occur by about March. We have made some additional progress on the statistical analysis of fish production in Flax Pond Estuary, but progress on the final analysis has been

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#### ECONOM. IMPORTANT DISEASES OF BIVALVE SHELLFISH, INCLUDING THEIR PREVENTION, CONTROL AND ERADICATION

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Agency ID: CSEW-426-438 Period: 01 JAN 80 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: The research is intended to quantify and quality the toxicity of common estuarine pollutants, bilge cleaners and fuel oil for *C. virginica* and *M. mercenaria* and selected species of finfish.

APPROACH: Bivalve larvae of separate age groups of *C. virginica* and *M. mercenaria* will be exposed to varying concentrations of bilge cleaners and fuel oils for variable periods of time to evaluate possible acute or chronic toxicities.

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#### NUTRIENT INTERACTIONS AND CHANGES IN ALGAL QUALITY IN CAYUGA LAKE

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Proj. No.: NYC-183406

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine effect of changes in nutrient ratios on composition of phytoplankton associations in Cayuga Lake.

APPROACH: Isolate representative species from the natural community in Cayuga Lake and determine their reactions to changes in nutrient ratios in laboratory experiments. Results of these experiments will be used to interpret nutrient perturbation experiments made with the mixed community, and predict changes in

frustratingly slow. Finally, I spent the month of August at the University of British Columbia, working on our North Pacific Ocean food chain model and its application to salmon biology. We successfully restructured the model into a series of more readily understood and analyzed subroutines, and worked further on our manuscript. We believe that a final, soft cover report (to be published in a unreviewed 'soft-cover' form at the University of British Columbia) will be completed sometime this spring, and it will be submitted in this form for consideration for publication as a monograph probably next summer.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### NITROGEN FIXATION BY MICROBES INHABITING SURFACES OF AQUATIC MACROPHYTES

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Proj. No.: NYC-144418

Project Type: BATCB

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Study of the chemical interrelationships between certain common water plants (macrophytes) and the large microbial populations (epiphytes) inhabiting their surfaces. A quantitative study of nitrogen fixation by epiphytes will be emphasized and will be converted to an estimate of their contribution to the growth potential of the aquatic eco-system. Total populations and dominant species of epiphytic microbes will be determined. An effort will be made to determine the relative proportions of total nitrogen fixed by bacteria and blue-green algae.

APPROACH: Nitrogen fixation (nitrogenase activity) will be measured by a Hewlett and Packard High Efficiency gas chromatograph through the conversion of acetylene to ethylene. Microbial populations will be measured by embedding techniques that allow direct counting, by the Winogradsky slide culture method, by an AMR model 900 scanning electron microscope and by plating on various total count and nitrogen-free media. Identification of microbes will be by standard techniques.

PROGRESS: 74/01 TO 76/12. Acetylene reduction techniques were used to follow diurnal cycles of nitrogen-fixing activity and the seasonal course of such activity over a 15-month period in a pond heavily colonized by *Myriophyllum spicatum*. Reduction was maximal between noon and 6 p.m., with nighttime activities 40% those of the day. Mean rates of activity were calculated for each month. From diurnal and seasonal cycles it was calculated that a mean of 12.5  $\mu\text{g N}$  was added annually by epiphyte N-fixation per mg. dry wt. plant sample. This is significant when compared with actual N content of such samples, estimated to be 25  $\mu\text{g}$  per mg dry wt. *Gloeotrichia* was to be primarily responsible for the N-fixation. A unicelgal culture of *Gloeotrichia* reduced acetylene in light at rates of 0.6 to 0.8 n moles/mg dry wt. min. Enrichment and isolation procedures failed to disclose any significant numbers of aerobic or anaerobic heterotrophic bacteria. *Rhodospseudomonas* appeared in some numbers at certain times in the cycle. A strain of *R. gelatinosa* reduced acetylene anaerobically at a maximal rate of 16 n moles/dry wt. min. N-fixation by these bacteria in situ would compare favorably with that of blue-green bacteria if the potential is fully expressed in conditions of the epiphytic niche.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 74/01 TO 76/12

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#### STUDIES IN PHYCOLOGY

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Proj. No.: NYC-185404

Project Type: BATCB

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 26 DEC 61 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Describe quantitatively the relationship of important algae with their environment and the converse; manipulate the environment for enhancing or inhibiting algae growth as desired; predict the effect of projected change in environment on same.

APPROACH: Isles of Shoals project - Initial comparison of transect data from Star Island from 1967 - 1972 and from Appledore Island, 1973, completed. Permanent transect sites on Appledore Island surveyed and marked for 1974 data collection. Work in this project will be directed entirely toward elucidating the ecology of marine algae at the Isles of Shoals this year.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Project terminated 12/31/78.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### LUMINOUS BACTERIA AS INDICATORS OF SHELLFISH CONTAMINATION BY PATHOGENIC VIBRIOS

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Proj. No.: NYC-144381

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JAN 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Assess the potential use of luminous marine bacteria as indicators of shellfish contamination by pathogenic marine vibrios. Thus, to attempt to develop a simple and inexpensive method that can be routinely used to screen for these pathogens. Study the effects of various conditions of depuration on the rate of removal of these bacteria.

APPROACH: Both laboratory and field studies will be undertaken to assess the potential of luminous *Vibrio* (Benecke) *harveyi* as an indicator of *V. parahaemolyticus*. Field studies will involve sampling both clams and water from various areas of the Great South Bay. Total counts of *V. parahaemolyticus* and *V. harveyi* will be determined. Laboratory experiments will involve pretreatment of shellfish with the bacterial species mentioned above followed by depuration. The persistence of the bacteria in the shellfish will be followed during the time of depuration.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A depuration chamber was used to study the persistence of marine vibrios in the hardshell clam, *Mercenaria mercenaria*. Clams were incubated for 2 h in artificial seawater containing 10<sup>3</sup> cells/ml of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*, *Vibrio harveyi* and *Escherichia coli*, and then transferred to the depuration chamber (a tank through which U.V.-sterilized artificial seawater was continually flowing). Numbers of the three bacterial species in meat of clams removed from the chamber at various times over a 72 h period were determined by differential plating techniques. The number of each species ranged from 10<sup>2</sup> to 10<sup>3</sup> colony-forming units/gram of meat immediately after transfer to the depuration chamber. After 24 h at 25 degrees C the number of *E. coli* cells detected had decreased over 100-fold. Generally, *V. parahaemolyticus* and *V. harveyi* were found in increased abundance after 24 h. The abundance of *V. parahaemolyticus* and *V. harveyi* in clams that had been incubated in the depuration chamber for 72 h at 25 degrees C was approximately 10% of the abundance of these species immediately after transfer to the chamber. Similar results were obtained when the incubation temperature was 8 or 15 degrees C. Thus, *V. harveyi* and the potential human pathogen *V. parahaemolyticus* which are both of marine origin were not removed from *M. mercenaria* at a rate comparable to the rate at which *M. mercenaria* depurated cells of *E. coli*.



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NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.145\* CRIS0076313  
ANTIBACTERIAL MECHANISMS IN CLAMS; CONTRIBUTION OF THE  
WATER STREAM

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ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-433379 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 78 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the rate of removal in the  
waterstream of *Salmonella typhimurium*, *Shigella*  
*flexneri*, *Escherichia coli*, and *Vibrio*  
*parahaemolyticus* from hard clams. Examine the binding  
properties of clam mucus for these test bacteria.

APPROACH: Clams will be exposed to the test bacteria  
for one hour and then removed for u/v irradiation of  
their outer surfaces to inactivate bacteria on their  
shells. The clams will then be placed in a model  
depuration tank which is designed for removal of all  
bacteria from the water. The rate of disappearance of  
the test organisms from the clam tissues will then be  
measured by timed samplings of randomly chosen clams.  
Mucus will be collected using a suitable irritant.  
The homogenized mucus will then be mixed with the  
test bacteria incubated at 20C and timed samples  
taken and centrifuged. Bacterial counts will be  
performed on the supernatant and sediment.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 80/12. The uptake and clearance of  
*Salmonella typhimurium* and *Escherichia coli* by  
actively siphoning clams was studied. The following  
conclusions are possible from the experiments  
performed. Enteric bacteria are rapidly concentrated  
100X within actively siphoning clams. Accumulated  
bacteria are then rapidly cleared. Counts of bacteria  
are reduced 1,000X within 8 hours. A further 10X  
reduction occurs by 24 hours. Bacteria are cleared in  
the form of mucus-fecal aggregates which rapidly  
sediment in the water. Very few free bacteria are  
released. Clams which are prevented from siphoning  
do not clear themselves of bacteria within 24 hours.  
Ionic phenomena are not important in binding of  
bacteria to mucus-fecal aggregates.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.146 CRIS0014431  
SOURCES AND MANAGEMENT OF MORTALITY IN EARLY LIFE  
STAGES OF FISHES

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ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147404 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 12 MAY 64 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Specific objectives will be to determine:  
Acute toxicity levels of metals and other pollutants  
through standard bioassay procedures for freshwater  
fishes at various stages of their early life history.  
Sublethal effects of various pollutants on early life  
history stages of various freshwater fishes - e.g.,  
reduced growth rates, stamina, oxygen uptake, enzyme  
activities, etc. Develop testing procedures which are  
amenable to use with small fish - numerous techniques  
which measure sub-lethal effects mentioned under  
objective 2 are available for sub-adult or adult fish  
where relatively large volume tissue, blood, weight  
and other samples are available. Adapting these  
techniques or developing others for early life history  
stages is necessary to assess sub-lethal impacts of  
pollutants. Rearing and maintenance capabilities for  
early life history stages of the more predaceous  
species of fish are problematic and will be studied  
and hopefully improved upon for various species as a  
result of these studies.

APPROACH: Standardized bioassay techniques involving  
either static or flow through exposure systems will  
be utilized to determine acute toxicity levels of  
pollutants. Proportional diluters will be used to  
vary concentration of pollutants in the flow through

systems. Each metal or synthetic organic pollutant  
and various species of fish will be studied  
individually with appropriate experimental design  
considerations for statistical reliability of the  
resultant data.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The increasing acidity of  
many surface waters from acid precipitation increases  
the solubility and potential adverse effects of  
metals in these systems. Lead contamination results  
primarily from its release during combustion of  
various fuels and in combination with low pH may  
present a threat to fishes. Lead inhibits the  
activity of the enzyme amino levulinic dehydrase  
(ALAD) which plays an important role in hemoglobin  
synthesis. Reduction in ALAD activity may reduce  
stamina while simultaneously increasing locomotor  
activity due to perceived oxygen deficit; both  
reactions antagonistically stressing the fish. The  
effects of lead on smallmouth bass are being studied  
in the laboratory to determine activity, stamina, and  
hemoglobin relationships. Preliminary estimates of 96  
hr LC(50) levels for sac fry have been made and  
apparatus set up for stamina tests of fish, etc.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.147 CRIS0083022  
ECOLOGICAL FACTORS AFFECTING POTENTIALLY THREATENED  
OR ENDANGERED FISH SPECIES IN NY

GLOSS S P; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY,  
ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147335 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine distribution and abundance of  
primarily non-game fish species in selected lakes and  
streams of New York; determine habitat preference of  
rare species and species associations with common  
habitat preference; determine historical or present  
day changes in habitat which may affect the  
distribution of rare species.

APPROACH: Standard fisheries collection techniques  
(seining, electrofishing, etc.) will be used to  
collect fishes. Other physical, chemical and  
biological aspects of their habitat will be measured.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Electrofishing and seining  
surveys of fishes in French Creek, Chautauqua County,  
NY were conducted. No longhead darter *Percina*  
*macrocephala*, were collected. The silverjaw minnow,  
*Erimyzon buccata* was collected and represents the  
first report of this species from New York State. The  
spotted darter, *Etheostoma maculatum*, population was  
confirmed in the system and continues to represent  
the only known locale in NY State for this species.  
Concurrent collections of benthic fishes and  
invertebrates were made throughout the summer to  
better determine the importance of food organisms as  
possible controlling factors in the distribution of  
darter species. Data analysis is incomplete. A single  
sampling of Cattaraugus Creek headwaters, Cattaraugus  
and Chautauqua Counties, NY was conducted as the  
survey is expanded to other waters.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.148 CRIS0083270  
METHODOLOGY AND ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS  
AT LOW HEAD HYDRO POWER SITES

GLOSS S P; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY,  
ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147334 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Research undertaken at hydroelectric  
sites will address the following objectives:  
Development of reliable and practical methods for  
assessing turbine mortality and other effects  
associated with fish passage at low-head hydropower  
facilities. Estimation of species and size specific

effects caused by design of lowhead hydropower facilities using methodology determined in the first objective or alternative methods.

**APPROACH:** Studies will involve insitu introduction of various species and sizes of fish into the headrace of low-head hydro power plants and their recapture or recovery in the tailrace. Recovery will be studied using passive (stationary) trawling in the tailrace with efficiency of capture determined for fishes in live, dead, and injured condition. Several anadromous species from the northeast U.S. will be tested dependent upon their availability. Factors such as turbine type, stream flows, water temperature, etc. may be contributing variables.

**PROGRESS:** 80/08 TO 80/12. Testing of introduction and recovery methodology for estimating turbine mortality incurred by anadromous fishes passing through Casberger-Cross Flow turbines was begun. Direct introduction from live holding tanks to a subsurface point directly upstream of turbine intakes utilizing a 13 cm irrigation pipe appears most feasible. Recovery is accomplished by modified butterfly nets attached directly to the discharge end of the draft tubes. Preliminary data on rainbow trout (proxy Atlantic salmon) and striped bass has been obtained for turbine mortality. No complete results are available.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/08 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.149 CRIS0084203  
**MODELS TO ASSESS BIOMAGNIFICATION POTENTIAL OF PERSISTENT TOXIC SUBSTANCES IN AQUATIC FOOD CHAINS**

GLCSS S P; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147336 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 81 To 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Undertake laboratory evaluation of three types of microcosms for estimating the uptake, transfer, and degradation of xenobiotic chemicals in aquatic food chains. The results of these studies will be used in assessing the suitability of one or more of the three microcosms for industrial testing which may be required under the Toxic Substances Control Act (Public Law 94-469).

**APPROACH:** Comparative evaluation of: recirculating static; flow through multiple-species microcosms; and a modular food-chain model using p, p' DDT (base line or reference xenobiotic) and one of more halogenated hydrocarbons and one or more phthalate esters selected from the EPA list of 129 priority pollutants. A literature review of the selected test chemicals and at least one representative chemical from each of the other major classes of toxicants to document occurrence in freshwater habitats, persistence, and pathways and processes (if known) that result in potential hazards to man via aquatic food chains. An investigation of the feasibility of incorporating a sediment phase in one or more of the compartments of the modular food-chain model.

004.150 CRIS0071348  
**SCOPE OF WORK FOR PRELIMINARY STUDY OF PRIMARY AND SECONDARY PRODUCTION OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER**

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Proj. No.: NYC-147323 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 06 AUG 76 To 30 SEP 78

**OBJECTIVES:** Obtain preliminary data on species composition and biomass of primary producers (phytoplankton, periphyton, and macrophytes) and consumers (zooplankton and benthic invertebrates). Assess the relative contribution of various communities to primary and secondary production in the St. Lawrence River. Evaluate methods of measuring biomass and production. Incorporate preliminary data

in a comprehensive plan of study.

**APPROACH:** Review literature, obtain preliminary data using standard techniques, on species composition and biomass of primary producers (phytoplankton, periphyton, and macrophytes) and consumers (zooplankton and benthic invertebrates). Collect vertically integrated samples for water quality and assess in conjunction with other field studies. Outline possible food webs and their probable importance in energy transfer. Prepare a comprehensive proposal identifying areas requiring further research and outlining methods of attack.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. Standing stock of phytoplankton in the St. Lawrence River was estimated at five sites between Cape Vincent near Lake Ontario and Waddington, New York, Winter through Summer 1978. Decreasing algal and zooplankton standing crops downriver supported the conclusion from earlier years that inputs from Lake Ontario determine phytoplankton abundance. Grazing, rapid downstream movement below Ogdensburg and the straining potential of vegetation were suspected as affecting composition and gradations of algal populations downriver while increased current flow, turbulence and a rapid transport partially accounted for decreasing stocks of zooplankton in Lake St. Lawrence. Mean sedimentation rates of detrital material ranged between 3.6 and 6.5 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day. Significant losses of organic drift was transported downriver from Lake St. Lawrence; only 0.001 g/m<sup>2</sup> 3/day entered the St. Lawrence from Lake Ontario while 0.15 g/m<sup>2</sup> 3/day was in transport in Lake St. Lawrence. A wide variety of benthic invertebrates were identified in bottom samples; chironomids, oligochaetes, amphipods and mollusks were the dominant forms; the potential for benthic production was greatest for inshore waters at Galop Island and offshore sites near Cape Vincent. Food habits of St. Lawrence River fish under ice cover generally preferred isopods and amphipods; however, mollusk shells, organic detritus and other fish composed the diet of some fish.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/01 TO 79/12  
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004.151 CRIS0067977  
**BIOLOGICAL, TECHNICAL, AND ECONOMIC STUDIES OF CULTURED AQUATIC RESOURCES**

NICKUM J G; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147319 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 12 MAY 75 To 31 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** The Cornell Aquaculture Program include measurement and evaluation of changes in the effluent quality from oxidation ponds due to filtration by confined populations of daphnids and measurement and evaluation of yield of daphnids from confined populations receiving effluents from oxidation ponds.

**APPROACH:** Daphnid populations will be confined in partially submerged cages which will receive flows of algae laden water from algal culture systems and/or small oxidation ponds. The effects of variation in concentration of algae, velocity of flow, and cage depth will be tested at three different levels for each parameter. Changes in effluent water quality will be measured by comparing the quality of water entering the daphnid cages with that of the water that has flowed out of the cages. Daphnid populations will be harvested on a pre-determined schedule, dried and weighed to determine production.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This project was initiated in August 1979 as an investigation of the impacts of manure fertilization on the water quality and production potential of New York fish ponds. The field season (April-October) of 1980 was a period of great activity on the project. Six experimental ponds were fertilized at three levels of manure (no manure, 2500 kg/ha and 12,300 kg/ha) and stocked with larval walleye, *Stizostedion vitreum*. The manure was effluent from an experimental methane digester. The physical and chemical response was monitored through analysis of nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations, light penetration, dissolved oxygen levels, water temperature, pH and alkalinity. The biological response was monitored by measuring production and consumption of oxygen by the phytoplankton community, chlorophyll concentration and form (a, b and c), zooplankton biomass and community structure, and fish growth. Fish survival was estimated. Attempts to model oxygen and ammonia levels, and to assess the variability in predicted values show that minimum oxygen levels can be predicted from manure load, temperature and chlorophyll values. Ammonia levels can be predicted from load, temperature, pH and chlorophyll. The research under this project has been transferred to the Agronomy Department, Cornell University.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.152 CRIS0058307  
EUTROPHICATION AND COMPARATIVE LIMNOLOGY OF THE  
FINGER LAKES

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CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147308 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 70 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Further elucidation of the role agriculturally derived phosphorus may play in the eutrophication of lakes.

APPROACH: Water samples are collected from experimental agricultural plot and rural watershed runoff and further samples are prepared by aqueous extraction of manures and decaying vegetation. Analyses are performed for various forms of phosphorus (particulate, dissolved inorganic, dissolved organic). Bioassays of two types are then performed to determine the biological availability of P and algal preferences for the various forms.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A new phase of work has begun (December 1980) with funding through OWRI for research focussed on the biological availability to phytoplankton of phosphorus derived from agricultural activities. Initial work on this two year project will focus on phosphorus bound in organic form. This is a joint project involving a soil scientist and a phytoplankton ecologist as well as aquatic scientists from Natural Resources. It is anticipated that by Fall 1981 initial chemical characterization of organic P compounds in agricultural runoff and preliminary bioassays of these will be completed. We intend to experimentally release P from these organics by using phosphatase enzymes. Two other phases of work have been completed. In one, four techniques developed by others to assess biological availability of P in natural waters were compared using samples from two different types of New York streams. It was concluded that currently accepted techniques are far from adequate for this purpose. In the second, data from our studies of the Finger Lakes were statistically analyzed to determine the number of years of sampling needed to define specified levels of change in trophic status. A manuscript on this has just been submitted for publication.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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004.153 CRIS0070504  
EFFECTS OF ACID PRECIPITATION ON ADIRONDACK LAKES

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CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147321 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 APR 76 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Investigate lake sensitivity to acidification and determine mechanism leading to chemical and biological changes. Evaluate and develop procedures for restoring and maintaining fisheries in acidified waters.

APPROACH: Sources of acidity and sinks for precipitation strong acids are being investigated in three Adirondack lakes, representative of the regional range in sensitivity to acidification. The roles of aluminum (in soils, as a sink for hydrogen ion; in water, as a toxic species) in the acidification process are currently emphasized. Screening and selection of factors influencing acclimation and adaptation to acid waters. Evaluation of partial or refuge liming in acid lakes for maintenance of fish populations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Soil aluminum mobilization by strong acids originating from atmospheric deposition was identified as an integral facet of the acidification process in Adirondack Mountain watersheds. Aluminum discharged from the basins in streamflow accounted for only a small fraction of the total strong acid inputs on an annual basis, but the predominant inorganic species of aluminum present during periods of high discharge were found at levels potentially toxic to fish. High inorganic aluminum levels, approximately equivalent to mobile strong acid anion ( $SO_4$  and  $NO_3$ ) levels, were also found in soil solution and ground water collected below the spodosol E horizons in the study watersheds. These findings suggest that a large, but as yet unquantified, fraction of the strong acid loading undergoes a two stage neutralization process in the soil system. Thus, initial aluminum dissolution reactions are succeeded by hydrolysis or CEC reactions when deeper flow paths favor longer water retention times in the soil. The primary implication of this working hypothesis is that basin hydrology is the key factor determining the sensitivity of Adirondack watersheds to either acidification or increased basic cation leaching. The potentials for maintaining brook trout fisheries in acidified Adirondack Lakes by utilizing hatchery stocks selected for increased physiological tolerance to acid-aluminum stress or acclimated to recipient lake water quality prior to stocking were demonstrated experimentally.

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004.154 CRIS0013142  
FATE AND EFFECTS OF TOXICANTS IN AGRICULTURAL AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL FOOD CHAINS

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Proj. No.: NYC-102315 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 57 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: To determine the fate of pesticides,  
heavy metals and industrial toxicants in  
soil-plant-animal and aquatic systems.

APPROACH: The downward movement of pesticides through  
sandy soils on Long Island under practical field  
applications will be determined. Nutritional  
supplements including activated charcoal, microsomal  
enzyme inducers and thyroid stimulants will be used  
to attempt to rid fish of PCB residues. Forage crops  
grown on municipal sludge-amended soils are being fed  
to pregnant goats, sheep, swine and quail to study  
possible toxic effects such as residues in milk and  
meat, mutagenicity and tissue lesions. Additives to  
sludge such as fly ash will be studied to hopefully  
reduce uptake of cadmium by crops. Additives to grey  
muck soils such as sludge and tree bark will be  
studied hopefully to improve onion yields by  
replacing the lost organic matter and lowering pH. A  
nationwide analytical survey of municipal sludges for  
toxic elements, nutrients and chlorinated organics is  
underway.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The herbicide Lasso was  
found to rapidly disappear from Long Island soils.  
Fydrin-treated apples when processed showed that the  
insecticide concentrated in the skins, cores and  
pomace, not the juice or sauce. Mass spectrometry  
showed that Fydrin did not decompose in the rumen of  
a cow. Nor was it or its acid metabolite excreted in  
urine. Honey which is acidic dissolves iron when  
shipped in steel drums and may acquire a dark color  
possibly due to an iron-tannin complex formed. Acid  
dairy waste may be effectively incorporated in fish  
diets. Radioactivity was not found in honeys  
collected near the Three Mile Island Nuclear Power  
Plant. Carcinogenic polynuclear aromatic compounds  
were found in municipal sludge ashes of American  
cities. Metals in municipal sewage wastewater  
contaminated a marine fish food chain raised in the  
water. Crops grown on sludge ashes absorb lower  
levels of Cd probably due to its presence as  
refractory compounds formed during the ashing. No  
significant differences were found in absorption of  
Cd, Ni and Zn by 8 varieties of field corn grown on  
sludge amended soil. Wheat, corn silage,  
alfalfa-timothy silage, corn grain and vegetables  
grown on sludge are being fed, respectively, to  
quail, sheep, pregnant goats, swine and rats in long  
term studies to assess heavy metal deposition, liver  
enzyme changes, mutagenesis and tissue lesions.  
Similarly fly ash and fly ash-grown crops have been  
fed to cows, steers and chickens to assess selenium  
toxicity and nutrition.

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004.155 CRIS0071839  
QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE STUDIES OF POLLUTION IN  
SELECTED FARM PONDS

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GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA. 27412.  
Proj. No.: NC-X-PR-0006-307-066 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CS&S Period: 30 JUN 76 To 28 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Interpret and evaluate the quantitative  
and qualitative data which have been gathered over a  
five-year period (1973-78) on pollution in selected  
farm ponds. Make an assessment of the effects of this  
pollution on the plant and animal life of the ponds  
as reflected in changes that occur over the five-year  
period.

APPROACH: Plant and animal specimens which have been  
collected during the course of this project will be  
sorted and identified. Tabular and graphic  
interpretation will be made of physical, chemical,  
and biological data. Collection of water samples and  
chemical examination of same will continue. Data  
collected during earlier phases are to be compared  
with more recent data.

PROGRESS: 80/03 TO 81/02. Degrees of eutrophication  
resulting from pollution have been determined in 10  
ponds, based on the following parameters:  
concentration of nutrients, numbers and species of  
algae, bacterial populations, general conditions and  
plankton similarity indexes. Data from four ponds  
(Sites 9, 10, 11, 12) not previously treated are  
included. With the exception of Site 10 (Kitter's  
Lake, a small recreational facility, ca. 10 m (2) in  
size, south of the city), these ponds are  
characterized by few plankton species and high  
bacterial counts and nutrients concentrations.  
Eighteen plankton species were counted in samples  
from Site 9 (Creekridge Road Pond, southwest of the  
city); 7 spp. from Site 10; 13 spp. from Site 11  
(Mertin Farm Pond, McLeansville community, ca 12 km  
east of city); and 5 spp. from Site 12 (Simmons Farm  
Pond, McLeansville). Sites 10 and 11, with 5 plankton  
species in common, showed highest degree of species  
similarity ( $S = 0.50$ ), but differed in nutrient  
concentrations and bacterial counts (no coliforms or  
fecal streptococci were found in Site 10 samples). Site 7  
(with 11 spp.) and Site 12 had 3 spp. in common ( $S =$   
 $0.375$ ), and differed greatly in bacterial counts and  
nutrient loads. No blue-green algae, fecal coliforms  
for fecal streptococci were found in Site 10. This  
pond is temporarily classified as oligotrophic,  
although low numbers of species suggest eutrophy. The  
Plant Materials Pond (Site 2) and the Simmons Pond  
(Site 12) are mesotrophic, approaching eutrophy.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/03 TO 81/02  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.156 CRIS0074023  
A COMPARISON OF THE ACCUMULATION RATES OF P ABSORBED  
BY THE VITAL ORGANS OF FISH

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GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA. 27412.  
Proj. No.: NC-X-PR-0006-20094 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CS&S Period: 26 SEP 77 To 25 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Note whether solid or dissolved forms of  
 $p^{32}$  in the medium vary in absorption rates of the  
material in the organs of fish determine the  
tolerance level of  $p^{32}$  in *Gambusia* during different  
seasons of the year.

APPROACH: Quantities of minnows will be collected  
periodically from nearby farms ponds and streams and  
maintained in aquaria for observation and study.  
Three ten gallon aquarium tanks will be filled with  
pond water from which the specimens are taken. The  
tanks will be labeled "experimental liquid"  
"experimental solid" "controlled". A daily record will  
be taken of the room temperature and temperature of  
each tank. Likewise, the daily pH for each tank and  
the concentration of  $p^{32}$  for the "experimental" and  
"solid" tanks. (Note: The concentrations of the  
liquids in these two tanks should be identical). An



adequate quantity of specimens will be placed in each tank and at three day intervals. Ten specimens from each tank will be sacrificed and dissected to obtain such vital organs as the eye, brain, gills, heart, liver, skin, kidney, body muscle, gonad, and vertebrae. Each of these organs will be thoroughly dehydrated in a drying oven followed by pulverization. Small aliquot portions of each of the samples will be weighed and tested by the use of equipment manufactured by Searle Analytic, Inc.

PROGRESS: 80/03 TO 81/02. This is a summarized statement of the results of an investigation of a comparison of the accumulation rates of radioactive phosphorus absorbed by the vital organs of fish fed treated solid food to the rates of those imbibing the isotope dissolved directly in water. The experimental results obtained to date by the use of model 470 gas flow detector, model 1042 automatic sample changer and model 8703 decade scaler from Searle Analytic, Inc., are as follows: The kidney, heart, and liver respectively absorbed 1.3 times as much radiation as did similar organs of organisms absorbing the isotope dissolved directly in water; The brain, gonad, vertebrae and gills absorbed 1.4 times as much as did the respective organs of specimens receiving the dissolved form; The skin absorbed 1.5 times as much as its counterpart; The eye 1.6 times as much and the muscle 1.3 times the accumulation as its respective counterpart. Hence, on the basis of these results it may be concluded that it is well worthwhile to dissolve waste (32-P) before disposal.

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004.157 CRIS00E3126  
NITROGEN FIXATION AND ITS EFFECT ON EUTROPHICATION:  
IN-POINT AND NON-POINT SOURCE PONDS

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N C, GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA. 27412.  
Proj. No.: NC-X-045-5-80-130-1 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: The objectives are to study the rates of nitrogen fixation by blue-green algae bacteria in sediments; measure the total nitrogen input in ponds; isolate and culture the responsible blue-green algal species and micro-organisms for nitrogen fixation; measure the total biomass present in the system; evaluate the significance of nitrogen fixation and its correlation to other nutrients; and to investigate the primary nutrients cycle in confined water systems and in the laboratory.

APPROACH: Water and sediment samples will be collected from different ponds. All biological, chemical and N(2)-fixation analysis will be performed on these samples. At each sampling time, water temperature, day's temperature and light intensities will be recorded. Nitrogen fixation will be assayed by C(2)H(2) reduction techniques by using gas chromatography. Microorganisms will be isolated and the total biomass will be estimated by determining ATP, and chlorophyll contents.

004.158 CRIS0068208  
STRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARGINAL SALT MARSH  
SPECIES FROM NORTH CAROLINA

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RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA. 27650.  
Proj. No.: NC03518 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 FEB 79

OBJECTIVES: Describe the vegetative development of shrubs growing on the margins of salt marshes; determine seed germination tolerance and growth response to salinity and discover mechanisms for

dealing with salt stress and compare among salt marsh species.

APPROACH: Seeds from marginal salt marsh species such as *Myrica cerifera* and *Iva frutescens* will be collected and their germination tolerances will be studied. Seedlings from the germinated seeds and field specimens will be used to study patterns of development and the influence of various environmental factors, particularly salinity, on the development. Mechanisms of salt tolerance will be investigated using cyto- and histochemical analysis and comparative data from other marsh and dune species.

PROGRESS: 78/07 TO 79/06. Camphor weed growing in North Carolina dune systems has two growth forms and may respond as a biannual. Seeds germinating in the spring produce a rosette form. The following growing season an erect form develops and flowering occurs. If germination occurs in the fall, as it may in North Carolina, the rosette form is essentially bypassed, and the erect form and flowers are produced the following growing season.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/07 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.159 CRIS0063865  
EFFECTS OF THE BRUNSWICK NUCLEAR POWER-PLANTS ON THE  
PRODUCTIVITY OF SPARTINA ALTERNIFLORA

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UNIVERSITY, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA. 27650.  
Proj. No.: NC05276 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 31 DEC 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the effect of the construction and operation of the Brunswick Nuclear Power Plant on the productivity of *Spartina alterniflora* (smooth cordgrass).

APPROACH: In order to fulfill the objectives, environmental analysis of the Oak Island and Dutchman's Creek must be determined. Field studies monitoring environmental parameters, sampling of above and below ground vegetation to determine productivity. After initial gathering of data and vegetation samples, analysis of data, by computer and laboratory tests will be carried out and a model developed for the area.

PROGRESS: 73/07 TO 79/12. A preliminary energy budget was developed for the emergent portion of a *Spartina alterniflora* marsh located in the Cape Fear River Estuary, NC, based on data from this marsh and where needed, values from the literature. Gross primary production was about 1.1% of incident solar energy: of this amount, 32% was respired by the primary producers, mainly *Spartina* and benthic microalgae, leaving a net production of 7818 kcal m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>. The equivalent of 50% of the net production (3957 kcal m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>) was respired by the microbes, but combined meiofaunal and macrofaunal respiration amounted to only 8% (671 kcal m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>). About 42% of the net production was available for export from the marsh to the estuary, with about 1/3 of that amount in the form of dissolved organic carbon and about 2/3 in the form of particulate matter; a portion of the latter was probably lost to the marsh sediment as accretion. Release of DOC from live *Spartina*, decaying litter and sediment or methane release from the sediment surface; together, accounted for 39% of the production remaining after microbial and faunal respiration. A tagging study indicated that mean stem longevity for *Spartina* was 7.9 months, and the experimental turnover rate was 1.5 crops yr<sup>-1</sup>. Five methods (peak standing crop, Milner and Hughes, Smalley, Wiegert and Evans, and Lomnicki et al.) yielded net aerial primary production estimates ranging from 214 to 1038 g dry wt m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> in a stand of short *Spartina*.

PUBLICATIONS: 73/07 TO 79/12  
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004.160 CRIS0068035  
IMPACTS OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF COASTAL  
NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS ON ESTUARINE ECOLOGY

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Proj. No.: NC05332 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 75 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop information for evaluating the effects of power plant construction and operation on the ecology of North Carolina estuaries. Specific objectives are to establish baseline populations, diversity and movements of organisms in the intake and outfall areas of the Cape Fear River Estuary and adjacent ocean; determine the effects of construction and operation of the discharge canal on the nursery utilization and productivity of Dutchman Creek; determine the impact of entrainment and impingement on larval fish and crustaceans; and develop information on heat tolerances of organisms.

APPROACH: Sampling stations are established on lower Cape Fear River, offshore and at site of power plant. Regular collections of samples will be examined for changes in phytoplankton, zooplankton, larval fish and crustaceans. Certain physical measurements will be obtained.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Major analysis of field data was accomplished during the year, resulting in several theses and reports. A major accomplishment was the use of information from the project to prove the premise of power plant cooling without towers. These results enabled the power company to obtain an operating permit and saved the rate-payers about \$800 million over the next 20 years. Scientific significance was underscored by the development of analysis techniques to handle large amounts of field data and provide answers for management questions. Sampling and statistical techniques developed and used during the year will form the base upon which federal agencies will develop guidelines for future studies of potential impact.

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- GEAGHAN, J.P. 1980. Distribution and Diversity of Fish and Crustacean Communities in the Cape Fear River Estuary, N.C., 1977-1979. Ph.D. Dissertation, N.C. State Univ., 91 pp.

004.161\* CRIS0079631  
POSSIBLE CAUSES OF BLUEGILL LEPOMIS MARCOCHIRUS  
DEFORMITIES

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Proj. No.: NC05447 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 79 To 31 MAR 80

OBJECTIVES: Examine temperature shock, genetics, and water quality as possible causes of deformities in bluegill sunfish in Lake Robinson, S. C.

APPROACH: Fish will be spawned in the laboratory and the eggs and larvae will be subjected to temperature shock at five stages in development. Tests will be conducted using parental stock from Lake Robinson and another source to detect genetic effects. Lake Robinson water and water from another source will be used in duplicate tests to crudely assess the effects of water quality.

PROGRESS: 79/06 TO 80/03. Work commenced on this project in July after authorization was received. Bluegills chosen from among those which seemed to be approaching spawning condition were stocked into 8 foot diameter fiberglass ponds for "natural spawning." The fish fed poorly and no spawning activity was observed through mid-September. Attempts to strip and fertilize bluegill eggs in the laboratory were also unsuccessful. Even with the injections of Human Chorionic Gonadotropin used late in the summer, eggs obtained were rarely fully developed. Those few eggs which began development died within 24-30 hours. I concluded in early September that further attempts to induce spawning in 1979 were futile and halted work and further spending on the project. This action was communicated to Carolina Power and Light Company officials in a meeting on the 19th of September, 1979. The project will be revised and extended before March 31, 1980 or will be terminated with remaining monies reverting back to Carolina Power and Light Company as per our contractual agreement.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/06 TO 80/03  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.162 CRIS0073893  
IMPACT OF LAND USE PRACTICES ON POPULATIONS OF  
WILDLIFE AND FISHERY RESOURCES

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Proj. No.: NC05398 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Develop data base on habitat requirements of game and non-game species of wildlife and fresh-water fish, research impacts of agriculture/forestry land use practices on population dynamics of wildlife-fisheries resources, develop habitat inventory systems and predictive management alternatives for terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems.

APPROACH: Wildlife and fishery resources are products of terrestrial and aquatic habitats. Effectively document and predict responses to habitat changes, a systems approach to research will be utilized. Initially, this will involve identification of key wildlife-fishery research needs for agricultural, forest and aquatic ecosystems of North Carolina. Subsequently, specific research programs will be developed that will address problems in a systematic manner that will provide both short and long term answers for the wise and sustained management of North Carolina wildlife and inland fishery resources.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 79/06. This project provides support for a number of activities associated with the fisheries-wildlife research program. Non-salary budget support included departmental operating expenses, research laboratory utilities, vehicle maintenance, current services and temporary wages. Funds have also been used to support, in part, the following research projects: Behavioral Ecology, Structure and Function of Waterfowl Community During the Winter Period, Winter Habitat Utilization of the Greater Snow Goose Along Coastal North Carolina, Effects of Prescribed Burning of a High Altitude Shrub Bald in North Carolina, Ecology and Management of Purbearers in North Carolina and Impact of Agricultural Practices on Cottontail Rabbit Habitat Selection and Population Dynamics.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.



004.163 CRIS0081387  
STATUS, ABUNDANCE AND EXPLOITATION OF THE STRIPED  
BASS IN THE ROANOKE RIVER, NC

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Proj. No.: NC05466 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 80 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Delineate the status, abundance,  
exploitation and ecology of striped bass in the  
Roanoke River and Albemarle Sound, N. C.

APPROACH: Tagging and creel census studies will be  
conducted in the Roanoke River to determine  
exploitation rates, sport and commercial catches and  
population size. Egg recovery surveys will be  
conducted to determine spawning abundance and egg  
viability. Trawling studies will determine relative  
success of spawning and survival of young-of-year  
striped bass.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Roanoke River commercial  
striped bass catches declined to 20-year low with a  
total of 2,286 striped bass landed for a c.u.e. of  
0.71 fish per net day. The commercial fishing was  
centered in the Williamston area (87.8% of total  
catch) and the migration peaked between April 8-28.  
The sport catch totaled 13,318 fish of which rod  
and reel accounted for 7452 fish and fight nets 5451.  
Only 77 fish were tagged because of the poor  
commercial catch. A cumulative total of 10,711 fish  
have been tagged over a 20-year period. Trawling  
studies in the Albemarle Sound collected 5885 fish of  
which 26 were young-of-year striped bass and the  
c.u.e. was 0.46. The Albemarle Sound catch was  
dominated by an increase in white perch and the  
c.u.e. for this species was 75.54 per trawl. A survey  
of motile Aeromonas septicemia indicated a low  
incidence of this disease in the Roanoke River and  
Albemarle Sound.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
HASSLER, W.W. and HILL, N.L. 1979. A Summary of the  
Status, Abundance, and Exploitation of Striped  
Bass in the Roanoke River and Albemarle Sound,  
North Carolina. 82 pp.

004.164\* CRIS0069601  
THE STATUS, ABUNDANCE, AND YIELD OF THE STRIPED BASS  
IN THE ROANOKE RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA

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Proj. No.: NC05352 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Delineate the status, abundance, and the  
ecological factors essential to the perpetuation of  
the Striped Bass population in the Roanoke River.

APPROACH: Before the bass migrate upstream a creel  
census will provide a base for analysis of subsequent  
censuses taken as the bass move upstream. In the  
spawning area (Halifax, N. C.) counts of eggs will  
provide estimates of productivity. Measurement of  
rate of flow, extent of turbidity, temperature and  
other factors will indicate factors essential to  
perpetuation.

PROGRESS: 75/07 TO 79/06. The commercial catch of  
striped bass in the Roanoke River from 1975-79 was  
18,989; 7,156; 10,465; 16,253; and 10,000 fish  
respectively. Anchor gill nets were the most  
successful commercial gear used. The striped bass  
sport catch for 1975-79 was 22,219; 40,789; 32,983;  
28,016; and 29,419 fish respectively. The CUE for  
these years was 3.61, 4.00, 3.27, 2.76, and 3.25  
striped bass/boat. Tagging was conducted on striped  
bass from 1976-79. The exploitation rates were 22.73,  
13.47, 21.24, and 13.0% respectively. Trawling in the  
Albemarle Sound nursery area (1975-79) resulted in  
catch/trawl of 10.80, 10.52, 3.63, 0.59, and 0.55  
young-of-year striped bass. Reduced catches in 1978  
and 1979 were associated with high river discharge  
flows during the spawning season. Estimates of  
striped bass egg production for 1975-78 were 2.19,  
1.5, 1.76, 1.69, and 1.61 billion eggs respectively.

The annual estimated striped bass spawning population  
was 3.27, 2.78, 3.48, 3.54, and 3.43 x 10<sup>5</sup>  
respectively. In 1978 trawling studies in the lower  
Roanoke River resulted in the collection of 14,305  
fish of which white perch was the dominant species.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/07 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD

004.165\* CRIS0072394  
EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL IN CURRITUCK SOUND: ITS CONTROL  
AND POTENTIAL USE

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Proj. No.: NC05375 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 77 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Obtain fishery relationships to Eurasian  
Watermilfoil. Evaluate "edge effect" of Eurasian  
Watermilfoil control on recreation and commercial  
fishing..

APPROACH: This is a portion of an overall project  
with this title. In this portion, age, growth,  
feeding habits, and distribution of recreational  
fishes will be determined using standard fishery  
methods. Sampling will entail the use of various  
types of nets, seines, and rotenone. Samples will be  
taken at least quarterly and will be designed to  
detect differences which can be attributed to the  
presence or absence of watermilfoil. Standard water  
chemistry data will be taken at least quarterly and  
will be designed to detect differences which can be  
attributed to the presence or absence of  
watermilfoil.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 78/12. The effects of  
water-milfoil (Myriophyllum spicatum) infestation on  
fish populations in Currituck Sound were studied.  
R rotenone samples of three coves before (1959-65) and  
after (1977) infestation indicated that both weight  
and number of fish per hectare increased after  
infestation, but that the average weight per  
individual decreased from 0.0250 to 0.008 kg. The  
population structure changed, with ictalurids and  
yellow perch having the greatest increases in numbers  
and largemouth bass and white perch the greatest  
decreases. Ictalurids and centrarchids (other than  
bass) exhibited the greatest increases in weight per  
hectare, while largemouth bass and "other" fish  
showed the greatest decreases. Numbers of largemouth  
bass were not significantly different between pre-and  
post water-milfoil samples. A comparison of areas  
dense in milfoil with an area of Potamogeton  
suggested that no adverse effects on the fish  
populations could be attributed to milfoil.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 78/12  
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004.166\* CRIS0078749  
ECOLOGY OF JUVENILE FISHES IN NC ESTUARIES

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Proj. No.: NC05435 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: To estimate the seasonal abundance of  
juvenile sciaenid fishes in the Pamlico River  
estuary. To relate their distribution to certain  
environmental factors such as depth and vegetation. To  
determine their food habits, local availability of  
these food items, and rates of consumption.

APPROACH: Sample juvenile fishes and their food  
approximately viweekly in the Pamlico River estuary  
in relation to major habitat features. Perform  
analyses of these data and data from the Department  
of Natural Resources and Community Development to  
determine the critical features of nursery areas.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 81/06. Juvenile fish populations were sampled in Rose Bay, N.C., for a period of two years. They enter the estuary as post-larvae in December and January and grow there for about 8 months before migrating off shore as adults. During this nursery period they eat mainly zooplankton, clam siphons, polychaete worms, as well as a member of min or dietary organisms. Sampling showed reduced abundance in areas subject to salinity depression and variation due to freshwater runoff through canals. Spot and croaker are more or less ubiquitous in Rose Bay, while other species, e.g., speckled trout, red drum and silver perch are more restricted to submerged grass beds. There was much dietary overlap among species suggesting the possibility of food competition. Growth rates and mortality schedules are being analyzed now to test this hypothesis. Spot and croaker, the two dominant species, are segregated on the habitat axes of salinity and temperature. Spot have a higher optimum temperature than croaker which is reflected in a higher growth rate for croaker in early Spring and a higher growth rate for spot in summer. The high abundance of food and low mortality rates suggest that the major limiting factors to these juvenile fish populations are reduced habitats owing to salinity variability and the lack of abundance of submerged vegetation. Four Master's theses and one Ph.D. dissertation are in progress on the project.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 81/06

MILLER, J.M. and DUNN, M.L. 1980. Feeding strategies and patterns of movement in juvenile estuarine fishes. In V.S. Kennedy, Ed. Estuarine Perspectives Academic Press, N.Y. 533 p.

004.167 CRIS0075647  
LIMITS ON PRODUCTION OF ARCTIC CHIRONOMIDAE: A PART OF PROJECT A. L. P. S.

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Proj. No.: NC05413 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 78 To 30 APR 81

OBJECTIVES: The Project is designed to test whether food or temperature are limiting the growth and secondary production of Chironomidae (Diptera) larvae in lakes, with specific reference to Toolik Lake along the Alaska Pipeline.

APPROACH: Field observations of energy flow through chironomidae for three years will estimate natural variation of production as a result of year-to-year changes in environment and primary production field experiments with test for production responses to increased food, reduced benthic primary production, elevated temperature and increased competition in replicated, randomized plots of lake bottom.

PROGRESS: 78/05 TO 81/04. Because they grow slowly and have synchronous reproduction, arctic Chironomidae (midges) offer a simplified system in which to test factors that potentially limit invertebrate animal production in lakes. Isolated plots of mud and animals were treated by increasing food (soy flour), raising the temperature, or shading benthic algae to reduce their productivity in 1978, 1979 and 1980. Food became partly limiting in 1978 when chironomid densities were high, but in other years densities were lower and the natural food supply exceeded their needs. No other treatments had a significant effect on production. Predators may have reduced chironomid populations below food-limited levels. Field experiments with carnivorous invertebrates and sculpin (small fish) showed that natural predators can eat large numbers of midge larvae. Both types of predators tended to remove the more active and abundant prey species selectively. The fish preferred larger midge larvae as prey, and indirectly promoted a shift in prey size toward a large proportion of very small larvae. Predation caused significant changes in benthic communities of Toolik Lake. This study indicates that food resources are of secondary importance, but biological controls of benthic community structure and probably production were surprisingly strong in this harsh arctic environment.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 78/05 TO 81/04

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004.168\* CRIS0073132  
THE EFFECTS OF ARTIFICIAL STRUCTURES OF GAME FISH IN A BORROW PIT POND

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Proj. No.: OBO00609 Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop and evaluate a new device called a pop net for sampling various types of artificial cover. Also to chronicle the development of the artificial and fish communities associated with both tire and stake structures at various depths. Also to determine the use made by various species and sizes of game fish.

APPROACH: Construct 12 reefs about 25 meters long each made up of 5 separate units each about 1.5 meters high. The reefs will extend into the lake from the north shore. Six of those reefs will be made up of tire structures and the other six of verticle stake beds. Half of the tire reefs will be kept food-free with bi-weekly scrubbing while the remaining reefs will develop attached communities normally. A new net device, SCUBA, and angling will all be used to evaluate the effect of depth, cover type, and food availability on fish community development and fish behavior.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 80/09. The pop net has been developed to sample artificial structure. The floor of the cylindrical, open-ended net is placed on the lake bottom, the 4 m diameter circular wall collapsed, and secured around the floor's perimeter. Structure to be sampled is placed on the net floor. The net released mechanism is triggered remotely. The net wall with floats rises, enclosing the structure and associated fish. Eighteen tests were conducted in clear water to determine pop net efficiency. Escapement rates were 0.5% and 2.1% respectively for bluegills (*Lepomis macrochirus*) 75-130 mm and large-mouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) 180-230 mm in total length. No bluegill greater than 160 mm and bass greater than 315 mm escaped. A total of 671 fish were susceptible to capture. Of these, 4 escaped resulting in a net efficiency of 99.4%. Initial examination of data suggests that number of bluegill captured, regardless of size, is inverse to the percentage of small bass associated with structure. Also, number of small bass captured is inverse to the percentage of small bluegill associated with structure. An inverse relationship is also suggested for water temperature and the percentages of small bluegill and all fish associated with structure.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

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THE EFFECT OF STRUCTURE ON FISH BEHAVIOR

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Proj. No.: OBO00490-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: To define the relationships of structure type and placement to behavior and harvest of selected fish species, which will serve as a basis for altering the habitat and improving the fishery of C. J. Brown Reservoir.

APPROACH: Batchery ponds will be used to determine preference for a size-range of bluegill, white crappie and largemouth bass for structures of various interstitial sizes and configurations. C. J. Brown Reservoir will be sampled to determine fish community composition and artificial structure installed to determine preference of fish for a variety of



structure types. Anglers will be surveyed to determine fishing pressure and harvest success.

004.170 CRIS0077992  
ALGAL METABOLISM IN THE PRESENCE OF HERBICIDES

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Proj. No.: OKLX-7984-15-4 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 04 JUN 69 To 03 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine cellular and sub-cellular effects of triazine, dinitroaniline, urea and phenoxy acetic acid herbicides on algae with use of an electron microscope. Compare the effects and interactions of herbicides in algal photosynthetic lamellae, polyhedral bodies, pigment proteins and cell structure with effects on cell metabolism. Determine the interaction of various levels of minerals and climatic factors in metabolism of algae in the presence of the above herbicides.

APPROACH: Standard EM techniques will be used to determine morphological and cytological changes in algae due to herbicide treatment; labelled herbicides will be used; polyhedral bodies will be separated by centrifugation and studied under the EM; standard analysis will be used in the analysis of algae treated with minerals.

PROGRESS: 80/01 To 80/12. Electron microscopic and biochemical studies were carried out on the blue-green algae *Anacystis nidulans* and *Lynbya birgei* treated with 10 - 5 M dinoseb. Preliminary observations suggest that photosynthetic lamellae in *Anacystis* were affected more than those of *Lynbya*. Work on algal pigment separation and absorption spectrum analysis of *Anacystis* grown under day-light type fluorescent light was done. The results are now being compiled for possible publication. Estimation of total protein by the Lowry method and phycobiliprotein separation by sucrose gradient techniques are being utilized. Column chromatography was also used to analyze algal pigments. Work on the effects of *Xanthomonas malvacearum* on cotton plant was also begun. TEM and SEM pictures of the infected cotton leaf cells were obtained and remain to be analyzed.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 To 80/12

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MEHTA, R.S. and HAWXBY, K.W. 1980. The Electron Microscopy of the Blue-Green Alga *Anacystis nidulans*. Association of Research Director Symposium, Atlanta, GA, November 12, 15.

004.171 CRIS0065961  
ACCUMULATION AND DEGRADATION OF SOME HERBICIDES BY ALGAE

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Proj. No.: OKLX-PR-0007-404 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 12 FEB 74 To 11 FEB 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the extent and rate of removal of phenoxyacetic acid, dinitrophenol and dinitroaniline herbicides from aqueous solutions by cultures of algae common to Oklahoma lake waters. Determine the extent and rate of breakdown of the herbicides by algae. Determine whether algae may be induced to breakdown the herbicides by substrate enrichment techniques as has been shown for bacteria.

APPROACH: The algae will be cultured in sterile, defined nutrient media by methods as described by Erickson et al. (29) or Schiff (30). Preparation of sterile media, the harvesting of algae and the determination of algae wet and dry weight will be carried out by methods described by Curl and Rodriguez-Kabana (31).

PROGRESS: 79/01 To 79/12. Under experimental conditions, simazine at 10 - 5M concentration is effective by disrupting photosynthetic functions. Whether the presence of simazine affected the thylakoids (photosynthetic lamellae) and polyhedral bodies (storage granules) directly or not has not been determined. Simazine apparently caused death in algal cells by imbalancing the function of thylakoids and in turn making polyhedral bodies incapable of performing their functions. What these functions are, remains to be understood. The estimation of protein in whole and mechanically disrupted *Anacystis* cells was done by the Lowry method. Pigment and cellular protein values in control and herbicide treated cells were evaluated. Phycobilisomes have been separated using sucrose gradients, and protein content will be determined. Preliminary observation of 100 ml. *Anacystis* aliquots (O.D. = 0.6) showed 1.5 times more protein in ruptured cells than in whole cells.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 To 79/12

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004.172 CRIS0070155  
ACCUMULATION AND DEGRADATION OF SOME HERBICIDES BY ALGAE

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Proj. No.: OKLX-PR-0007-616-36 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 16 JAN 76 To 15 JAN 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine whether algae may be induced to breakdown the herbicides by substrate enrichment techniques as has been shown for bacteria.

APPROACH: Algae will be grown through several cultures in the presence of low levels of the herbicides. This data will then be compared to data taken before prolonged exposures to the herbicides. Such studies should reveal whether algae can be induced to accumulate or detoxify herbicides.

PROGRESS: 80/01 To 80/12. Aliquots of *Anacystis nidulans*, *Chlorella pyrenoidosa*, *Scenedesmus quadricauda*, *Lynbya birgei*, and *Anabaena variabilis* were treated with 10 - 5 M alachlor, Aquazine, dinoseb, fluometuron, glyphosate, methazole, prometryn, trifluralin, or 2,4,5-T. Algal samples were taken after 1, 2, 3, and 4 days and the optical density was measured. The Lowry method was used to determine protein content of the samples. Ten ml samples of *A. variabilis*, *L. birgei*, or *C. pyrenoidosa* were treated with 1 ml 1 4C-simazine, 1 4C-trifluralin, 1 4C-2,4-D, or 1 4C-2,4,5-T. After one hr, the samples were centrifuged and filtered. Pellets obtained were placed in scintillation cocktail and counted. Half of the treatments contained 10 - 5 M dinitrophenol (DNP). Treated samples were compared with controls to determine uptake. After 4 days the growth of algae in the fluometuron, prometryn, Aquazine, and methazole treatments was greatly reduced when compared to controls. The reduction of protein in these treatments was not as pronounced, indicating the herbicides had a greater effect on photosynthesis than on protein synthesis. Herbicide uptake by the algae was recorded as follows; trifluralin in greater than simazine greater than 2,4,5-T=2,4-D. DNP treatment had little effect on herbicide uptake of most algae tested. However, simazine, 2,4,5-T and trifluralin uptake by *A. variabilis* and 2,4,5-T uptake by *L. birgei* was greatly reduced after 1 hr.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 To 80/12

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FEASIBILITY OF CAGED FISH CULTURE IN NORTH CENTRAL  
OKLAHOMA FARM PONDS

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OBJECTIVES: Study production and cost of caged fish in small ponds in Central Oklahoma, investigate and test the feasibility of caged fish as a normal farm or ranch operation.

APPROACH: Channel catfish will be grown in cages and fed pellets containing 30-35% protein, and Tilapia will be grown in cages and fed pellets containing 25-30% protein. Oxygen and temperature will be measured daily at feeding time to develop a profile as if they relate to growth. Record as to marketing and home consumptions and cost will be kept to determine return on investment.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Cage culture appears to be economically feasible in small (less than 2.0 ha) farm ponds and has potential for generating a small additional source of income (estimated to be \$744.00/ha) and/or producing low cost food for the farm family. Ponds that are clear (depth of visibility greater than 1.0 m) and shallow (depth less than 1.0 m over half of the pond) should probably not be used for cage fish culture unless aquatic vegetation control is implemented. Channel catfish fingerlings should be 150 to 200 mm in total length when stocked if a large proportion of marketable size fish are to be produced in one year in Oklahoma. Tilapia appear to stimulate channel catfish feeding and therefore increase production. The optimum ratio appears to be a very high ratio of catfish to tilapia. The optimum density of fish per cage appears to be about 400 fish per cubic meter with an anticipated harvest weight of 0.45 kg.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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ACCUMULATION AND DEGRADATION OF SOME HERBICIDES BY  
ALGAE

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Agency ID: CSES Period: 21 MAY 75 To 20 MAY 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the extent and rate of breakdown of the herbicides by algae.

APPROACH: Herbicides will be labeled with  $^{14}\text{C}$  and uptake in algae and disappearance in the nutrient media will be followed by assaying for radioactivity.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Previous work in our laboratory indicated different reactions when phosphate levels changed in the presence of herbicides. Aliquots of *Chlorella pyrenoidosa* were cultured in high (0.023 mg/l) or low (.003 mg/l) concentrations of ortho or polyphosphate along with different concentrations of herbicides. Phosphate hydrolyzed by algal cells was determined by the method of Eray. High concentrations of polyphosphate appeared to be toxic to algal growth. Prometryn inhibited algal growth more than fluometuron at the concentrations tested. Orthophosphate was more conducive to growth than polyphosphate. Greater hydrolysis by algal cells was observed with high concentrations of ortho and polyphosphates. Different levels of phosphate and herbicides were also added to aliquots of various algae. Oxygen evolution and respiration were measured with an oxygen monitor. No significant difference in photosynthesis or

respiration were found due to phosphorus levels in the treatments. Higher concentrations of the herbicides tested reduced photosynthesis but had little effect on respiration.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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RELEASE OF ADSORBED PESTICIDES INTO WATER

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Agency ID: ARS Period: 16 JUN 71 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: We will relate the movement of herbicides in surface runoff, and their persistence and effects in farm ponds, to the degree of their adsorption on soils.

APPROACH: Arsenical herbicides which vary widely in degree of adsorption on soils will be used in laboratory and model pond studies. Methylation or demethylation of the various forms of these herbicides will be investigated. Effects on pond microorganisms and transformations by pond microorganisms will be related to the persistence of these herbicides in farm ponds. In cooperation with runoff studies at other locations, the relationship of adsorption characteristics to movement of herbicides in interflow, surface runoff, and sediment transport, will be incorporated into an agricultural chemical transport model.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Microbial transformations of arsenical herbicides were studied in pond microcosms containing about 500 g of sediment and 6 l of water. About 20% of cacodylic acid demethylated after 9 months, but methylation of arsenate was undetectable. Numerous types of bacteria were isolated that were adapted to high concentrations of arsenic. These isolates were tested in groups or individually for their ability to transform arsenic compounds by methylation, demethylation, or gaseous evolution. No arsenic transformations were detected. A method was developed for separating arsenate, monomethylarsenate, and dimethylarsinite on an ion exchange column. The method performed satisfactorily on runoff samples containing arsenic at environmental concentrations.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.176 CRIS0045905  
EFFECTS OF WATER QUALITY PARAMETERS ON FARM POND  
VEGETATION AND THEIR INTERACTIONS

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Proj. No.: 7320-20790-006 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 12 DEC 79 To 12 DEC 82

OBJECTIVES: Assess the ecology of aquatic vegetation (macrophytes, algae, and bacteria) in farm ponds in relation to water quality and the development of management practices to optimize these systems.

APPROACH: Conduct laboratory, growth chamber, and field experiments designed to investigate the influence of water quality parameters (temperature, nutrient level, light penetration, and sediment) of farm ponds on associated plant growth and succession; investigate the effect of aquatic vegetation on the nutrient flow into and nutrient cycling within the impoundment; and manage plant species associated with waterways and impoundments to reduce the impact of non-point pollution.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The physiology and growth of various amphibious and aquatic plants are being studied in relation to sediment and nutrient influxes that typify farm ponds. Transpiration rates of maidencane (*Panicum hemitomon*), marshhay cordgrass (*Spartina patens*), and narrowleaf cattail (*Typha angustifolia*) were measured during moisture stress cycles, and are being evaluated for significance. With yellow nutsedge (*Cyperus esculentus*), significant reductions in tuber weight occurred from shading at a low level of N fertilization, but not at two higher levels. Diatom (*Nitzschia* sp.) growth rates in solution culture did not vary at different N concentrations, indicating that this species can store N for later use. Sediment deposition averaged 32 and 175 g/m<sup>2</sup> per day in two farm ponds near Chickasha, OK. Although the sediment composition was similar, one of the sediments released much more soluble P and NH(4)-N to water than the other sediment did.

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#### 004.177 CRIS0011762 ECOLOGICAL AND SYSTEMATICS OF AQUATIC INSECTS

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Proj. No.: ORE00578 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 JUN 67 To 30 JUN 85

OBJECTIVES: To increase the knowledge of occurrence and distribution of aquatic insects in Oregon, and to obtain basic life history information on selected species; To investigate the role of food quality in life history strategies of aquatic insects through both laboratory and field studies; To investigate the interrelationships between wood debris and stream invertebrates; and To compare the effects of canopy modification and sediment input due to logging on stream invertebrate communities.

APPROACH: The work proposed with aquatic insects includes both field and laboratory studies. In the field, emphasis will be on faunal surveys, larvae-adult associations, population estimates in relation to sediment input, and densities of insects on submerged wood of known age. Under laboratory conditions work will be on impact of aquatic insects on their food resources. Feeding experiments will be conducted with shredders and grazer-scrappers. The experiments include determination of food preferences, growth rate studies, and calculation of ingestion, egestion and assimilation.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The mayfly community on wood was investigated as part of long-term studies on invertebrates associated with wood debris in streams. Of 9 genera encountered, only *Cinygmula* showed a predilection for wood. *Cinygmula* and *Ironodes* have mouthparts adapted for scraping the aufwuchs film and ingest wood fibers along with the fungal and bacterial flora. Mycophagy in wood-associated mayflies makes a contribution to wood processing and related to emergence and mineralization estimated at over 1g/m<sup>2</sup> 2/yr. Benefits accrued by mayflies from wood are related to emergence and shelter in addition to feeding. The effects of fine sediments on stream

communities was studied by comparing logged and forested sections of streams in the Oregon Cascades. The open clearcut sites had greater biomass of invertebrates and trout than did the shaded forested sections regardless of sediment composition. The changes in trophic status and increased primary production resulting from shade removal may mask or override the effects of sedimentation in these small streams. Study of stream recovery following the Mt. St. Helens eruption was initiated in 1980. Sites were established to compare channel condition and stream communities across a range of impacts (blast deposits, heavy ash and pumice, moderate ash, light ash deposit), and along a continuum in a system receiving blast deposits and debris flows in the headwater reaches.

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#### 004.178 CRIS0068960 BIOLOGICAL FEASIBILITY OF INTENSIFIED OYSTER CULTURE

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Proj. No.: ORE00338 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Out-bay culture will investigate the biological and economic feasibility of pond or raceway culture under controlled conditions. This will yield data on the influence of parameters such as water volumes, currents and seeding density on oyster growth. Efforts will also be made to correlate changes in available natural food, as measured by dissolved and particulate organic carbon and nitrogen, with changes in oyster growth. These studies may also encourage investors by demonstrating the reduced threat to culture facilities from floods, winds and storms.

APPROACH: Hatchery-produced seed oysters will be placed on the bottom of commercial oyster growing grounds, on oyster growing trays and on experimental rafts. The growth and survival of these oysters will be monitored over a two-year period beginning in the spring of 1975. These data will provide a means of evaluating the relative efficiency and productivity of the various culture methods. Concurrent with the placement of seed oysters in the field, oysters from the same brood group will be held in an existing out-bay rearing pond provided with pumped seawater. The growth and survival of these oysters will be monitored for comparison with other rearing methods. Refinement of the out-bay culture method will be a continuing process.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Cultchless seed was again planted in Tillamook Bay. As we have had no ice or adverse weather to date, growth and survival data should be collected in the Spring of 1981. *Crassostrea rivularis* has been accepted by some of the growers and eyed larvae and seed are available from two commercial hatcheries. Monthly sampling of the Kumamoto oyster is complete. Three years of data shows this oyster to mature later in the year. As this oyster is a warm water spawner (25 degrees C), this data agrees with our laboratory data which says low temperature delays sexual maturation but does not affect the rate of maturation. For the second year we have successfully spawned this oyster in late summer. Eyed larvae as a seed source is gaining popularity. A failure of domestic wild seed has increased the interests in hatchery seed. Techniques for handling eyed larvae are being perfected. Four hatcheries are now producing eyed larvae for sale. Communication.

Held a workshop in Astoria for Oregon and Washington growers to explain the eyed larvae technique for obtaining oyster seed. Visited the interested growers and helped them with the technique of setting eyed larvae.

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004.179 CRIS0084309  
TEMPERATURE EFFECTS ON XENOBIOTIC ELIMINATION BY FISHES

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Proj. No.: OFE00911 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 81 To 30 JUN 86

OBJECTIVES: Increased understanding of and enhanced ability to explain the cellular events underlying hepatic elimination of xenobiotics will be sought. The influence of environmental factors on hepatic metabolism and biliary excretion of selected chemicals by salmonids will be investigated in an attempt to characterize the capacities of these fishes to eliminate "prototype" environmental contaminants.

APPROACH: Pharmacological/toxicological approaches will be employed to investigate the effects of acclimation under various regimens of temperature and caloric intake on the elimination of 2,4-toluenediamine, phenolphthalein and benzo(a)pyrene by salmonids. Standard pharmacokinetic indices will be applied to trace movement of administered agents from plasma to bile and/or urine. Examination of biochemical processes associated with hepatic elimination of xenobiotics will be incorporated into the research project so that mechanistic explanations of the actions of xenobiotics may be approached. The roles of conjugative metabolism and adenosine triphosphatase activity in hepatobiliary function are of particular interest.

004.180 CRIS0084308  
ACUTE AND CHRONIC EFFECTS ON FISH EXPOSED CONTINUOUSLY AND INTERMITTENTLY TO TOXICANTS

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Proj. No.: OFE00910 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 81 To 30 JUN 86

OBJECTIVES: The potential for environmental contaminants to produce adverse effects on natural populations is not easily extrapolated from laboratory data. Expanded knowledge of how temporal factors contribute to tolerance of fishes to toxic substances is necessary for development of environmental policy. The influence of manipulation of schedules of toxicant exposure on salmonid survival, growth and development will be studied.

APPROACH: The toxicity of copper and an additional agent to salmonids following continuous and intermittent exposure will be assessed. Juvenile rainbow trout will be utilized for determination of

LC50 values, the results being coupled with 21 day growth studies. Embryo-larval tests will be conducted to ascertain the responses of another stage in the life history of rainbow trout to variation in exposure regimens of toxic substances. Tissue residue analysis will be utilized to gain insight into how dispositional factors may influence differential toxicity attributable to temporal aspects of exposure.

004.181 CRIS0004421  
EFFECTS OF WATERSHED PRACTICES ON STREAM HABITAT AND FISH POPULATIONS

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Proj. No.: ORE00526 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: To assess impacts of forest practices on fish populations and their habitat in streams of the Coast and Cascade ranges in Oregon. To develop improved methods of evaluating fish habitat, especially those characteristics impacted by forest practices. To evaluate measures taken to rehabilitate and enhance fish habitat in streams impacted by forest practices.

APPROACH: Cooperative with ongoing studies of watershed management and stream ecology on H. J. Andrews Experimental Forest and other locations in Oregon for extensive analysis of watersheds in a variety of geomorphic settings. Develop specific process studies to define detailed aspects of fish habitat, impacts on that habitat, and means to rehabilitate damaged or degraded streams.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A review of natural variation in abundance of salmonid populations in streams was completed during the year. The work was based on literature and unpublished data. A major objective was to use the information to make recommendations for design of studies of watershed management impacts on streams. The standing stock biomass of salmonid fishes in streams was found to vary greatly in both time and space, from 0 to 60 g/m<sup>2</sup> or more. This variation is sufficient to mask large-scale perturbations caused by land management practices. Among the approaches we suggest to minimize the masking effect, the most important are further development of habitat quality ratings and improved systems of watershed and stream classification. Study designs employing paired comparisons are advocated as an additional improvement. In one study that incorporated this design, the effects of small clearcuts on fish and their habitats in the Cascade Mountains of Oregon were found to vary depending on stream gradient and time after logging. Clearcut sections where the stream was still exposed to sunlight (5-17 yrs. after logging) had greater trout biomass than old-growth (450 yrs) forested sections. Second-growth logged sections (12-35 yrs after logging), reshaded by forest canopy, had lower biomass of trout and fewer predator taxa than old-growth sites. Work began during the year on a new subproject involving impacts of sedimentation.

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MICROCOSM MODELING OF THE RESPONSE OF PERSISTENT  
AQUATIC COMMUNITIES TO A TOXICANT

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Proj. No.: ORE00081 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 APR 80 To 31 MAR 83

OBJECTIVES: The objectives of this research are 1) to evaluate and explain the influence of population exploitation, invertebrate habitat availability, and energy input rate on the structure and organization of laboratory aquatic communities, 2) evaluate and explain the response of these communities to introduction of a toxic substance and their recovery from toxicant perturbation as influenced by exploitation, habitat availability, and energy input.

APPROACH: Laboratory communities composed of persistent populations of guppies, amphipods, snails, planaria, and various microinvertebrates are being maintained at Oak Creek Laboratory of Biology. The guppies are exploited at different rates to simulate fishing. Two levels of energy input, in the form of an alfalfa ration, and invertebrate habitat availability are maintained. When the behavior of the communities at each exploitation and energy input rate has been well-documented and the systems have established near steady-states, dieldrin, an organochlorine insecticide, is introduced. The response of the systems to dieldrin, as influenced by exploitation and energy input rate, is determined and explained.

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FISH GENETICS

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Proj. No.: ORE00846 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 20 JUL 66 To 01 JUL 80

OBJECTIVES: Conduct original research in fish genetics and ecology. Apply findings of research toward clarification of existing problems of race identification, hatchery improvement, evolution of fishes, and genetic tolerance to heavy metal poisoning for fishes. Incorporate graduate instruction and research into each of the above objectives.

APPROACH: Population genetics, DNA homology studies, cytogenetic and Mendelian genetics studies, toxicity studies, and graduate level instruction in fish genetics and fish culture.

PROGRESS: 80/01 to 80/12. Objectives include facilitating salmon and trout culture by determining phenotypic control of development, particularly stages during emoltification. Experiments on effects of transportation of coho and chinook indicated that post-release performance could be affected. Wild cut-throat tend to dominate hatchery coho salmon. Detection of imprinting odorants may vary during emoltification. Hormone therapy can be used to induce spawning in coho salmon in both fresh and saltwater.

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004.184\* CRIS0075513  
CHRONIC TURBIDITY AND STRESS IN JUVENILE COHO SALMON  
AND STEELHEAD TROUT

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Proj. No.: ORE00401 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 25 APR 78 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Objectives will be met by answering: Is there a generalized, physiological response to stress in juvenile salmonids; are the physiological responses to stress correlated or related to reduced fitness; does stress produce predictable physiological responses?

APPROACH: Juvenile coho salmon and steelhead trout will be exposed to siltation and their resistance to other stresses determined. Clinical chemistries involving primary aspects of the general adaptation syndrome of stress, such as cortisol, will be monitored.

PROGRESS: 80/01 to 80/12. Juvenile coho salmon and steelhead trout exposed to suspended topsoil, clay or Mt. St. Helens volcanic ash had elevated plasma cortisol, suggesting that exposure to high levels of suspended solids is a moderately stressful condition. Although cortisol returned to pre-stress levels and osmoregulatory performance of the fish was not affected by exposure to sediment, topsoil significantly reduced the fish's tolerance to the pathogen *Vibrio anguillarum*. The absence of light during imposition of stress may mitigate in part the reaction to the stress.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 to 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.185 CRIS0084302  
ACCOUNTING FOR VARIABILITY IN PRODUCTIVITY OF OCEAN  
FISH IN YIELD ESTIMATION

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Proj. No.: ORE00912 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 81 To 30 JUN 86

OBJECTIVES: Provide new mathematical approaches to estimating yields that account for variability in natural production of ocean fishes.

APPROACH: Develop multi-factor statistical analyses of the effects of physical oceanographic processes, fishing effort and stock size on trends of selected continental shelf fishes in the eastern Pacific. Develop mathematical models that explore how to estimate fishery yields in the face of variability in productivity due to density-dependent population processes and also variability brought about by hydrographic trends and fluctuations. Consideration will be given to food-web structure and multi-species fisheries.

004.186 CRIS0014167  
TOXICOLOGICAL AND ECOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF TOXICANTS

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Proj. No.: ORE00693 Project Type: WATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 31 DEC 64 To 31 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop an understanding of mechanisms of toxicity to aid in developing standards for toxicants which are adequate to protect freshwater organisms. The research will be designed to predict effects from multiple toxicants found in aquatic environment; effects of acute and chronic administration; and physiological treatment of toxicants by aquatic organisms.

**APPROACH:** Toxicological and pharmacological approaches will be used to determine the effects of multiple toxicant; toxicological and bioenergetic approaches will be used in specific toxicant studies; and physiological, pharmacological, and biochemical approaches will be used in relation to the organism's elimination of a toxicant.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Investigation of acute copper toxicity to juvenile rainbow trout following either continuous or intermittent exposure has been conducted. The 96-hr LC 50's appear to markedly differ (in terms of total mg/lb of toxicant exposure) between treatment schedules. In addition, when a daily ration is provided to fish in our bioassay system the 96-hr LC 50 is approximately twice that of unfed trout. Analysis of studies of structure-toxicity relationships of substituted benzenes has been completed. Increase in the degree of chlorine substitution, with subsequent enhanced lipophilicity, was found to result in increased acute toxicity of these agents to fishes. Laboratory ecosystems composed of persistent populations of guppies, snails, amphipods, planaria, and various microinvertebrates are being maintained. The guppies are exploited at different rates to simulate fishing and two levels of energy input are maintained. Near steady-state community structure and organization of the systems was determined by the rate of exploitation of their guppy population and by the rate of input of energy. Continuous introduction of 1 ppb of dieldrin into four ecosystems, one at each exploitation rate, at the low level of energy input brought about alteration of community structure and organization rate. Response ranged from initial reduction in density and subsequent recovery of the unexploited guppy population to extinction of the most heavily exploited guppy population.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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004.187\* CRIS0076338  
**MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT OF RIVER WATER CONTAMINATION**

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Proj. No.: ORE00402 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSFS Period: 01 APR 78 To 31 DEC 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Since 1973, there has been at least one major viral epizootic in Oregon fish hatcheries each year. This research proposal is concerned with the microbiological quality of the water released into the Oregon watershed after a viral epizootic and the potential impact of releasing this virus-containing water on the wildlife fed by this water.

**APPROACH:** Determine the rate of virus survival in the field after an epizootic using the following methods: Hatchery effluent sampling and virus concentration by membrane filtration. Assay for virus infectivity in tissue culture. Develop more sensitive assays for infectious virus using known chemical enhancers of viral infectivity. Determine whether IBNV and IPNV can infect animals other than Salmonid fishes and

produce a disease state. Determine whether fish viruses may interact with other viruses to yield an attenuated viral strain or a strain which is now more infectious for other animals.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. This project is concerned with the microbiological quality of the water released into the Oregon watershed from fish hatcheries during a viral epizootic and the impact of releasing this virus-containing water on the wildlife fed by this water. In the grant period 10-1-79 to 9-30-80 we made the following progress: We have extended our observations that infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus of salmonid fish can also grow in insect cells. The virus produces no change in the insect cell but large quantities of virus are released by the infected cell line. Thus, a possible insect reservoir for the virus may exist. We have also found that the virus that is produced by the insect cell line is altered in three of the five virion proteins. We are currently determining if the alteration in viral protein is due to a difference in the way the insect cell processes the viral protein or in the way the insect host selects for the replicating viral strain. The sensitivity of the assay for virus detection in tissue samples from diseased fish is dependent upon the cell line used in the assay. (See paper attached, submitted to J. Fish. Res. Bd. Can., 1980.) We have determined that UV-irradiation of water can be used to reduce the titer of virus in that water by 1,000 fold.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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004.188 CRIS0031226  
**BACTERIAL SURVIVAL AND RECOVERY MECHANISMS: SIGNIFICANCE IN MARINE ENVIRONMENT**

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Proj. No.: ORE00895 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 APR 68 To 30 SEP 86

**OBJECTIVES:** To determine the physiological mechanism that permits bacteria to survive for long period of time without the presence of an energy-yielding substrate as well as to determine the mechanism of recovery from the starvation-survival state.

**APPROACH:** *Vibrio* (Ant-300), a pseudomonad, and a few nitrifiers will be monitored as to their survival in the absence of energy-yielding substrates for periods of days and months. During this period the size of the cells, formation or decrease in the macromolecules (protein, DNA, and RNA) will be followed and analyzed on the basis of the total cell count, viable cell count, and the respiring cell count. Endogenous metabolism, if any, EC (energy charge), and the cryptic growth will also be determined. In the recovery of the bacterial cells, the ability to utilize an energy-yielding substrate will be monitored. In both the survival and recovery processes, the protein patterns will be determined by the O'Farrell gel technique so that the possible changes in protein patterns (including enzymes) can be analyzed.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The ability of psychrophilic bacterial cells (Ant-300) to undergo starvation survival over long periods of time lies in their ability to capture, bind, transport and utilize



substrate when available. Under prolonged starvation the cells maintain their binding proteins and an energized membrane. The starvation survival forms are in a state of "ready and waiting", capable of maintaining itself in nutrient deprived environment only to take advantage in any favorable shift in the nutrients available in the organism's environment. During the first 1.5 to 14 days of starvation under hydrostatic pressure Ant-300 cells are apparently more pressure sensitive than cells of Ant-300 starved for long periods of time. The data obtained indicates that Ant-300 may well adapt to survival at increased pressure under extended starvation but not capable of growth under pressure unless sufficient energy is available.

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 YOKGEY, F.S. 1980. The Synergetic Effect of Starvation and Hydrostatic Pressure on Uptake of Alpha-aminoisobutyric Acid by a Psychrophilic Marine Vibrio. M.S. Thesis. Oregon State Univ., Corvallis. 81 pp.

#### 004.189\* CRIS0069126 HISTOPATHOLOGIC AND HISTOCHEMICAL INDICES OF SUBLETHAL PESTICIDE TOXICATION IN FISH

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 Proj. No.: PEN02211 Project Type: HATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop histochemical bioassay methods of sublethal pesticide toxication in fish; investigate biochemical and physiological correlates of sublethal pesticide toxication in fish in relation to course of pathogenesis, survival potential and toxicant resistance.

APPROACH: Fish will be exposed to sublethal concentration of four pesticides. Atrazine, Carbaryl, 2,4-D and Parathion. Acid and formalin exposure will serve as "stress toxicant" reference standards. Tissues from major organ systems will be analyzed using differential and histochemical staining procedures. Cytometric and analytical cytophotometric indices will be used as text parameters in evaluating the utility and sensitivity of histochemical methods for detecting sublethal pesticide toxication. Supplemental biochemical and physiological studies will also be undertaken to validate histochemical assays of pesticides and elucidate their mode of action.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Laboratory tests were conducted to investigate histopathologic and histochemical changes in various tissues of brook trout ('Salvelinus' 'fontinalis') exposed to sub-lethal dosages of the pesticides: atrazine, carbaryl, parathion and 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid. Analytical histochemical methods were employed to provide measures of regulatory aspects of metabolism as well as end products of synthesis. Among the important contributions of the study was the demonstration that quantification of nucleic acid responses in specific brain, liver, kidney and endocrine tissue compartments permits the detection of incipient stages of toxication and provides information on the pharmacological basis of toxicant induced pathogenesis. For example, it was found that with carbaryl toxication neuronal RNA levels were evaluated in the optic tectum and depressed in cerebellar Purkinje cells. With parathion toxication RNA was elevated in both cerebrocortical and cerebellar compartments. Thus, the higher toxicity of parathion stems from a generalized increase in

excitability of brain neurons, whereas carbaryl appears to be more site-specific with respect to toxin-mediated impairment of neuronal functioning.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### 004.190\* CRIS0069189 ZOOGEOGRAPHY AND ECOLOGY OF FISHES IN PENNSYLVANIA

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 Proj. No.: PEN02276 Project Type: HATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Measure the impact of environmental disturbance on patterns of distribution of fish species; investigate the phylogeny of selected fish groups in order to assess the validity of species nomenclature.

APPROACH: The severity of environmental degradation due to acid mine drainage, soil erosion, industrial pollution or other disturbances to aquatic habits will be correlated with the presence or absence of species of fishes known to be sensitive to these forms of pollution. Predictions of the level of pollution permissible to maintain diverse fish populations are then possible. Studies will be continued to better understand the diversity of taxa and the geographic distribution of fishes in northeastern United States.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Work is continuing on a manuscript "Fishes of Pennsylvania" which is in Press. The phylogeny of the sculpins (Teleostei: Cottidae) of eastern North America has been revised by detailed electrophoretic and meristic analysis of many Appalachian species and populations. An acceptable thesis is now being prepared for publication.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

- STRUASS, R. E. 1980. Geographic variation and the intra- and interspecific relationships of eastern North American freshwater sculpins (Teleostei: Cottidae). The Graduate School, Penn State Univ., Ph.D. Thesis, 210 p.

#### 004.191 CRIS0082236 ECOLOGY OF RARE AND ENDANGERED FISHES OF PENNSYLVANIA

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 Proj. No.: PEN02534 Project Type: HATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 81 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the status of rare or endangered fish species in Pennsylvania; to determine the role of the banded darter, Etheostoma caeruleum, in fish communities on stream riffles.

APPROACH: The distribution of most common fishes in Pennsylvania has been well defined by collections. Effort now is needed to describe the distribution and ecology of the rare and endangered species by collections in specific areas. The banded darter recently expanded its normal range by invading the colonizing nose of the Susquehanna River drainage. Several riffle communities of fishes, including this darter, will be selected within the original range of this darter and from the Susquehanna drainage. On these riffles, the ecological role of the darter will be compared to answer how this species successfully colonized a new riffle already supporting an abundant fish community.

004.192 CRIS0076818  
NATURAL PRODUCTION OF TROUT IN INFERTILE MOUNTAIN  
STREAMS OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Proj. No.: PEN02408 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 79 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine factors which limit natural reproduction and growth of trout in infertile streams; develop methods to manipulate the limiting factors.

APPROACH: Compare fertile and infertile streams with regard to number and size of fish produced, effects of rainfall chemistry, and other factors. Test methods of managing and controlling the factors identified.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Over six years of data on sensitive streams and their biota have been collected on the Quehanna Wilderness Area. Several precipitation chemistry stations have also been maintained. During this period emphasis was shifted to biology. A thesis on the effect of low dissolved minerals on trout is in the writing stage. Most chemical analyses of rain and stream samples have been completed. New thesis studies on feeding of brook trout and on insect populations as affected by acidification of poorly-buffered, infertile streams were begun. Several streams which show severe effects of acidification have been identified. Rainfall pH continues to average 4.0 or below.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.193 CRIS0064010  
FISH MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY RELATED TO ENVIRONMENTAL  
CHANGES AND/OR INTENSIVE CULTURE METHODS

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Proj. No.: PEN02099 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JAN 74 To 31 DEC 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine major causes of fish morbidity and mortality in Pennsylvania and examine the role of man-made environmental stress conditions on incidence of disease in fish. Attempt duplication of stressed stream or lake conditions in the laboratory to study pathogenesis.

APPROACH: Case reports of fish disease or mortality will be investigated and classified into physical, chemical, viral, bacterial, parasitic, neoplastic or nutritional pathology. Physical, chemical and microbiologic water determinations will be made at sites of major disease incidence and correlated to man-made environmental change. Laboratory studies are aimed at duplication of stressed stream or lake situations in order to study pathogenesis by precipitating disease. Combinations of various stresses will be applied.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. A 3 year experiment of mixed culture between native bluegills 'epomis', 'macrochirus' and Israeli mirror carp 'Cyprinus' 'carpio' in 2-1000 m<sup>2</sup> ponds prevented reproduction of the carp and resulted in overgrowth of bluegills. Interbreeding and reproduction between recently imported high-bred Israeli Mirror Carp and native (1890 imports) Allegheny River mirror carp continued for the 6th year in an irrigation reservoir. Consultation agreements on pond-and intensive fish culture continued with the Penna. Fish Commission research hatchery and with 2 private foundations. Experiments to recycle dried sewage sludge into fish feed are in progress at the Benner Spring research hatchery. Diagnostic examinations were made on 14 saltwater fish from a local aquarium and 2 freshwater aquarium fish. Gill and internal parasites (flukes), nutritional pathology and tuberculosis were main findings in the saltwater fish. The freshwater fish had 'Aeromonas' septicemia.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
ROTHENBACHER, H., SHANNON, EARRY. 1979. Deaths among brook trout traced to polluted water. Science in Agr. XXVI, No. 2, p3.

004.194\* CRIS0073855  
IDENTIFICATION OF SUB-OPTIMAL ENVIRONMENTAL  
PARAMETERS AFFECTING AQUACULTURE

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Proj. No.: RI00412 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 07 NOV 77 To 01 OCT 81

OBJECTIVES: Mount a multidisciplinary approach to the elucidation of sub-optimal environmental parameters responsible for inefficient growth, poor reproduction and increased disease incidence in aquaculture production system. Identification and clarification of these critical parameters will be followed by appropriate investigation of remedial measures.

APPROACH: Initial effort will be restrictive and designed to develop tests capable of indicating early stress in the fish, develop tests capable of measuring early suppression of piscine immune response, and investigate the actual effect of altered water and nutritional factors thought to be protective or advantageous to fish in closed systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The cellular and humoral components of the fishes immune system are well developed and reflect environmental alterations. Further, they are probable sensitive indicators of sub-optimal parameters affecting fish culture. To this end, during 1980, we expanded our testing battery by developing the methodology and capabilities to measure the following immune indicators of stress and increased susceptibility in finfish: Cellulose electrophoresis, Gel electrophoresis, Agglutination, Precipitation, Serumlysozymes, Hemolytic plaque, MIF, Macrophage Phagocytic index, Serum Fe and Fe binding capacity, Immuno fluorescence, Immuno electrophoresis.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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004.195 CRIS0064402  
ABATEMENT OF EUTROPHICATION RESULTING FROM INTENSIVE  
ANIMAL PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: RI00822 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop practical methods for: Removal of metabolites from fish culture water that render it unsuitable for re-use. Treatment of fish culture water to meet existing and projected standards for discharge. Removal and treatment of suspended solid wastes in fish culture water. Adaptation and/or modification of processes for treatment of fish culture water and solid waste in treatment of waste from intensive livestock and poultry production.

APPROACH: Primary treatment will involve physical screening and aerobic digestion. Secondary treatment will involve aerobic digestion of solids, denitrification by continuous microbial reduction and reoxygenation of effluent.

PROGRESS: 77/06 TO 80/09. Solids removal is one of the more difficult unit processes involved in water reuse systems for the culture of salmonids. Traditional settling basins effectively remove settleable solids but suspended solids are normally entrained in the associated biological filter where their buildup impairs nitrification efficiency and necessitates periodic cleaning. Alternate methods of solids removal were evaluated. Studies with a pulsed rapid sand filter indicated that a 12 cm. atracite coal bed over a 7.5 cm. sand bed resulted in a 66 percent removal of suspended solids at acceptable



hydraulic loading rates. Studies with an inclined 40 mesh stainless steel static screen indicated that up to 38 percent of the suspended solids could be removed at a hydraulic loading rate of 122 liters/m<sup>2</sup>/minute. Combining a plate settler with an 80 mesh stainless steel screen resulted in a 71 percent removal rate when the influent contained 77 mg/l of suspended solids. The relatively poor results obtained lead to investigation of "in situ" solids digestion in a system using 10 o/oo salinity water. Solids concentration was reduced 97 percent. This work will be continued in freshwater systems.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 77/06 TO 80/09

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#### FISH BARRIER SYSTEMS FOR POWER STATIONS

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Proj. No.: RI00751

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 01 OCT 81

OBJECTIVES: The ingress of fish into the cooling outlet canals of large power stations present serious mechanical & environmental problems. Fish attracted by the high temperature are sometimes killed in great numbers by the toxic gases in the warm water outlet plume. Such fish kills are of environmental concern & can interfere with powerplant efficiency. Study materials, design & effectiveness of fish net barrier systems presently installed in power station outlet canals; propose modifications of design & installation based on above study.

APPROACH: Conduct laboratory tests on precise scale models of installed fish barrier nets; conduct minor adjustments, based on above tests, on installed barrier nets; monitor stress factors in the installed net systems.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Work conducted during the report period was limited to analyzing data collected earlier.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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CRIS0065375

#### THE PHYSIOLOGICAL BASIS FOR MANAGING TIDAL MARSH VEGETATION

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Proj. No.: RI00527

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: The impact of tidal marsh management practices on the physiological condition of marsh vegetation will be measured. Harvesting salt marsh hay, altering flood water salinity and solute content, changing drainage patterns will be evaluated for their effects on the stability of salt marsh grasslands.

APPROACH: Sound grassland management is based on knowledge of the seasonal energy flow through component species. Management practices will be evaluated for their effect on annual photosynthetic patterns, carbohydrate mobilization and storage, root rhizome and tiller growth, mineral uptake and transport. Most studies will be conducted on *Spartina alterniflora* and *S. patens* growing under marsh conditions.

PROGRESS: 74/07 TO 80/09. Seasonal energy relations and mineral nutrient absorption by tidal salt marsh vegetation were studied in order to formulate management programs which would enhance the productivity and stability of these fragile estuarine grasslands. Carbohydrates in rhizomes of *Spartina alterniflora* were depleted during spring shoot growth

and were not replenished until late summer. This cycle in carbohydrate status was of lesser magnitude in the short ecophene than in the tall form. Substantial amounts of photosynthate were partitioned to vegetative reproduction throughout the growing season even during grain filling. Energy overwintering in rhizome and crown tissues was utilized in the spring to support growth and in the summer to regenerate the rhizome system. Soluble nitrogen and phosphorus applied to the marsh surface rapidly penetrated the sediment and were readily absorbed by *S. alterniflora* roots resulting in stimulated shoot growth. The presence of NaCl in the nutrient solution stimulated ammonium absorption by roots of *S. alterniflora* and *S. patens* while reduced oxygen tension had no effect on root function. Both ammonium and nitrate were utilized by *S. alterniflora* although the reduced nitrogen source was preferred. The cordgrasses are well adapted to growth under tidal salt marsh conditions and to absorption of nutrients introduced to the marsh in the tidal flood waters.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 74/07 TO 80/09

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#### FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: SC00241

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CS&S

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food. Nutrition, water quality, diseases and culture systems. Evaluate the economics of production processing and marketing of freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Parasites, nutrition and growth of American eels will be investigated in natural and cultured populations. Tolerance of eels to chemicals commonly used in fish culture will be studied. Nutritional requirements and growth of tilapia and basses will be investigated by feeding diets containing varying percentages of protein and different amino acid mixtures. Effects of waterborne quantities of insecticides (Mirex) on production of freshwater prawns will also be investigated. Economics of a state-operated hatchery for *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* will be investigated. Cooperative involvement in freshwater shrimp culture is not anticipated in South Carolina, but a cottage industry may be assisted by receiving post larvae or juveniles from the state.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A feeding regime for channel catfish, which takes into account water temperature and body size was tested again during 1980. Results described herein represent data from 1571 channel catfish weighed individually. Average final weight after 174 feeding days was 280 g, representing a 270 g net gain. Conversion (5) averaged 1.20. Catfish continued to feed regularly until harvest, at which time water temperature was 10 degrees C. Final weights and conversions observed in this study represent substantial improvements over previously reported values. The assumption of linearity in daily growth in length was tested in a separate experiment. When water temperature exceeds 25 C, daily growth is essentially linear, averaging 1.27 mm/day (0.05 in/day). Work on the identification and confirmation of parasites found on 21 7 subadult American eels (*Anguilla rostrata*) trapped in Cooper River, S.C. is continuing. New host records were identified for the protozoan *Trypanosoma granulosum*; monogenean *Gyrodactylus anguillae*; trematodes *Stephanostomum imparaspine*, *Opecoeloides fibriatus* and *O. vitellus*; cestode, *Bothriomus sturionus*; and crustacean *Ergasilus cerastes*. New distribution records for parasites found in the southeastern region of United States include the protozoans *T. granulosum* and *Myxidium giardi*; monogenean *G. anguillae*; cestode *B. sturionus*; acanthocephalan

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PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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THE QUALITY OF SEAFOOD CONSUMED BY THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 MAR 77 To 01 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine mercury levels of Sea and Freshwater fish consumed by the people of South Carolina, determine the effect of fish species on the accumulation and distribution of mercury in their tissues, and compare levels of mercury found by geographic location and relate to environmental factors.

APPROACH: Determine the availability of knowledge on the quality of seafood consumed by the people of South Carolina. The fish samples will be collected from the Atlantic Coast of South Carolina for determination of mercury content. To accomplish this the state's coastline will be divided into 30 sections of ten miles apart. The fish samples will be frozen on dry ice and stored in a freezer. The fish tissue will be analyzed for mercury contents by flameless atomic absorption spectroscopy--Mercury Analyzer.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A survey of mercury and other toxic trace element residues in saltwater fish from the Atlantic Coast of South Carolina was conducted to see if the problem of the magnitude of toxic trace elements contamination was evident in the South Carolina Fishery. Samples of fish and shellfish from the Atlantic Coast of South Carolina were collected during 1978 and 1979. The fish collected were Spot, Whiting, Silver Snapper, Red Snapper, Flounder, Shrimp, Sea Bass, Squid, Grouper, Bluefish, Clam, Crab, Scallop, Speckled Trout, Croaker, Mullet, etc. The whole fresh fish were placed in plastic bags and frozen in a freezer. Triplicate samples of fish tissues were analyzed by wet digestion method. Sample flasks were incubated in reagent grade sulfuric acid and nitric acid mixture using a constant temperature shaking-water bath at 58 degrees C. Digests were analyzed using atomic absorption spectrophotometry procedures outlined by Hatch and Ott, and Utte et al, as modified for use with a Perkin-Elmer, Coleman Mass-50 Mercury Analyzer and Flame atomic absorption spectrophotometer, Perkin-Elmer Model 306 and 5000. Thirteen trace metal elements were determined by atomic absorption spectrophotometry analysis of fish tissues. Trace elements determined were Mercury, Cadmium, Copper, Zinc, Arsenic, Lead, Iron, Magnesium, Chromium, Nickel, Aluminum, Manganese and Cobalt. A significant finding of this report are that larger fish had higher trace element contents than smaller fish of the same species.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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EFFECT OF SEDIMENT CONTROL DAMS ON THE WATER QUALITY OF A PRAIRIE LAKE

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Proj. No.: SD00873 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 78 To 01 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the effect of perimeter record sediment control dams on the water quality of a prairie lake.

APPROACH: Lake Cochrane (Deuel County, S. D.) has been extensively sampled for water quality through previous agricultural experiment station projects (SD 668, 590). Sediment control dams were constructed on inflowing tributaries to Lake Cochrane in 1976. This study would sample algal density, algal production rates and water clarity using replicate samples at two sites in the lake. In addition, concentrations of limiting algal nutrients (NO<sub>3</sub>(3), NH<sub>3</sub>(3), total N, ortho PO<sub>4</sub>(4) and total PO<sub>4</sub>(4)) would be sampled both at the intake stations and above the sediment control structures. Data would be analyzed by multiple regression and analyses of variance to evaluate present limiting factors and compare present lake level concentrations with those present in the lake prior to sediment dam construction, respectively.

PROGRESS: 78/07 TO 80/09. Secchi disc transparency, algal density (chlorophyll and cell counts) and nutrient chemistry (NH<sub>3</sub>(3), NO<sub>3</sub>(3), Org. N, Ortho PO<sub>4</sub>(4) and Total PO<sub>4</sub>(4)) were sampled on Lake Cochrane, S.D. from 1976-1979 during and after sediment dam construction. These data were compared by ANOVA with previous data from Lake Cochrane 1970-1975. Nutrient levels were significantly highest in 1977 and 1978, probably as a result of erosion caused in construction of the sediment control dam. However, chlorophyll a data indicated that 1978 and 1979 were not significantly different from 1970, the year of lowest algal concentrations and best water transparency measured, suggesting a trend toward improved water quality after sediment dam construction. Water transparency readings from 1971 to 1979, were significantly poorer than in 1970. Algal species composition also indicated more eutrophic conditions from 1971-1979 than existed in 1970. Since the disturbance of water quality from the construction process apparently persisted through the 1978 open water season, and this study terminated sampling midway through the 1979 open water season, more data needs to be taken to properly evaluate the long-term effects of the sediment-control dams on Lake Cochrane water quality.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/07 TO 80/09

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FISHERIES UNIT

APPLEGATE R L; WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT; S DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA. 57007.  
Proj. No.: SD00914 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 17 JAN 67 To 01 JAN 89

OBJECTIVES: Research various problems of fish and aquatic habitats in South Dakota.

APPROACH: Partial contribution by University to M/U between U and Cooperative Fishery Unit between U. S. Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and S. D. Department of Game, Fish, & Parks. Work program varies according to the annual agreement of the coordinating committee.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The study concerning fish interactions in a power plant cooling reservoir continued. The estimated standing crop of the 4 major forage fish species was 28.1 kg/ha. The forage fish population was dominated by age-groups I and II. Impingement of forage fishes was primarily restricted to young-of-the-year and highest impingement rates usually occurred in the evening. Muskellunge (Esox masquinongy) were most vulnerable to impingement during the first 2 months after their introduction. The growth rate of muskellunge in the reservoir (Age-II, 753 mm average; Age-I, 465 mm average) was higher than all reports for the species in North



America. Alimentary canal development of muskellunge was studied with relation to invertebrate food sources. The most selected for food organism during both day and night was *Moina brachiata*. *Cyclops vernalis* was also selected for during night. Muskellunge selected against *Asplanchna sieboldi*, *Potamocypis* sp., and *Daphnia* sp. Food organisms collected from the foregut of fry collected at 2300 hours were significantly larger, but not more numerous, than those in the foregut of fry collected at 1300 hours. As the fry grew and the mouth diameter increased, the sizes of food organisms increased. Fry initially selected for the first and second instars of *M. brachiata* and against the later instars and adults; by day 23 they selected for adults and against immature instars.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### 004.202 CRIS0080247 APPLIED PHYSIOLOGY OF ECONOMICALLY IMPORTANT FISHES

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Proj. No.: TEN00559 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 17 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Use plasma cortisol and glucose concentrations to measure acute stress during management and culture procedures and to develop ways of reducing stress; develop enzyme assays as indicators of chronic stress caused by pollution or other adverse environmental conditions.

APPROACH: Important sport and commercial fish species will be subjected to various management and culture routines used in fisheries. Plasma cortisol and glucose concentration will be determined. It cortisol and glucose levels indicate that a given management or culture routine subjects a fish to substantial stress the routine will be modified and tested again to see if the modification results in less stress. Important sport and cultural fish species will be taken from either natural environments where adverse conditions are suspected or experimental tanks where such conditions are created. Various tissues from these stressed fish and controls will be tested for activity of several enzymes. When differences in enzyme activity occur between stressed and control fish, the enzymes will be characterized and developed, if possible, into indicators of chronic stress.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Investigation showed that basal concentrations of plasma cortisol (near 50 ng/ml) and plasma glucose (near 0.50 mg/ml) were significantly greater in yearling channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*) acclimated to 10 C than in fish adapted to 20 or 30 C; the latter groups had similar basal levels of cortisol (near 25 ng/ml) and glucose (near 0.30 mg/ml). Fish at 10 C had a slower and less marked increase in cortisol and glucose over minutes, hours, and days in response to the stress of severe confinement than fish at 20 or 30 C which were again similar. No mortality occurred in the fish stressed at 10 C during 3 days of confinement, while 89% died in the 20 C group by day 3 and all fish at 30 C were dead by day 2. Glucose concentrations initially rose more slowly than those of cortisol, but continued to increase between 3 and 12 hours after confinement.

Also, glucose returned to near basal levels in dying fish while cortisol at that time was at its highest level. Channel catfish, even at warm temperatures, have a slower and less extensive cortisol response to stress, taking 3 days to reach 225 ng/ml, than other fish that have been investigated. This is significant in that it helps define usefulness of plasma cortisol and glucose as indicators of acute stress in fish. In addition to the progress on cortisol and glucose, work continues on the refinement of assays of enzyme activities (e.g. MDH) to be tested as indicators of chronic stress.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### 004.203\* CRIS0074335 CULTURE AND MANAGEMENT OF SELECTED GAME FISHES

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Proj. No.: TEN00521 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop new management techniques and cultural methods for improving yields of game fishes in Tennessee waters by: Evaluating the feasibility of using selected non-native (exotic) species and/or hybrid fishes, and improved fish habitat management practices.

APPROACH: Ponds, raceways, and other holding facilities will be constructed to evaluate the potential of such fish as grass carp, mirror or other carps, tilapia, striped bass, hybrid sunfish, hybrid catfish, and other non-native species. Monospecific culture of selected fishes will be compared to polycultural techniques to determine production (kg/hectare). The use of different stocking rates, fertilization practices, and supplemental feeds will be evaluated as management practices. Culture techniques for hybrid sunfish and other selected species will be determined and their potential for use in pond environments will be assessed. New management techniques for improving yields in game fish populations by habitat manipulation will be assessed. Research problems would include the evaluation of the effects of aquatic vegetation control on fish production; the effects of aquatic pesticides on yield of game fishes in ponds, streams, and reservoirs; the identification and control of fish parasites and diseases in game fishes; and the evaluation of biological agents as biofilters of waste materials in aquatic systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Data collection for two pond studies were completed and the data are being analyzed. In one study, over 250 Florida largemouth bass have been tagged and released in two different impoundments. All were weighed and measured; scales were removed to determine age composition of the population. In the second study, fingerling striped bass were stocked in two small impoundments to determine survival and growth. To date, 47 young-of-year and yearlings have been collected; indications are that survival is directly related to fingerling size and data of stocking. In a two-year investigation to determine food habits, movements, and general life history of striped bass, approximately 400 fish have been collected. Preliminary analyses indicate young-of-year striped bass utilize zoo plankton, principally midge larvae, as the primary source of food for some time subsequent to stocking. There is evidence of similar food habits for white bass, leading to the assumption of interspecific competition. A study has been initiated to evaluate the effects of fish attractors in Norris Lake.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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WADDLE, H.E., COUTANT, C.C. and WILSON, J.L. 1980. Summer Habitat Selection by Striped Bass, *Morone saxatilis*, in Cherokee Reservoir, Tennessee, 1977. *Crnl Env. Sci. Publ. No. 1360*. 195 pp.

004.204\* CRIS0070519  
ADAPTATION FACTORS AND CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS

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Proj. No.: TEX06225 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 30 APR 77 To 05 APR 81

OBJECTIVES: Investigate environment stress factors on the growth and development of aquatic weeds. Determine biomass production, distribution, and life cycles of aquatic weeds. Determine adaptation characters (morphological and physiological) of aquatic weeds to wet-dry, cold-hot and photoperiodic cycles. Determine effectiveness and mode of action of herbicides and growth regulators for aquatic weed control.

APPROACH: Aerial photographs of lakes Livingston and Conroe will be taken monthly by the Remote Sensing Center to monitor growth and distribution of aquatic weeds. Measurement of temperature, oxygen content, light intensity, nutrient levels will be determined the day after photographs are taken. Perennating organ development effected by environmental stress factors will be monitored quantitatively, and roles of light, temperature, nutrients, herbicides, and growth regulators on development will be investigated under laboratory conditions.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Research has been conducted along 3 avenues this past year. First, the separation and concentration of phenol storing cells (phe) from waterhyacinth leaves and the chromatographic identification of the phenolic acids (pa) within. We believe these cells are responsible, in part, for the high degree of disease resistances found in waterhyacinth. The second major avenue has been in the use of remote sensing data for mapping the aquatic vegetation in Lake Conroe Reservoir. The base line vegetation map has been made and the vegetation levels will be monitored quarterly over the next two years in an effort to determine the efficiency of the grass carp as a biological control agent. The third line of research has involved the interaction of sugars and dormancy in duckweed. Differences in the levels of the trisaccharide, raffinose were associated with the breaking of dormancy with cold treatments.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
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004.205 CRIS0064257  
FRESHWATER SHRIMP OF THE GENUS *MACROBRACHIUM* WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON CULTURE

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Proj. No.: TEX06052 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 JUL 73 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop & improve production & management systems for freshwater shrimp cultured for food & bait in Texas. Conduct field studies on natural history and ecology of freshwater shrimp to better understand their nutritional and environmental requirements.

APPROACH: Laboratory and field observations will be coordinated in studying nutritional and environmental requirements of *Macrobrachium* under culture conditions. Survival and growth will be indices most considered in evaluating treatments.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies undertaken within this project were highly varied in nature, in part because very little information on the culture of freshwater shrimp has been developed. Electrophoretic patterns of several species of freshwater shrimp were elaborated and the genetic implications of them addressed in one study. The basic nutritional requirements and nutritional physiology of *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* with respect to protein were outlined, giving rise to information on the protein-energy requirements of that species. The feasibility of rearing freshwater shrimp with tilapia was demonstrated. The responses of freshwater shrimp to degraded water quality was also addressed in an attempt to determine the limits within which this organism can live and grow.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.206 CRIS0074338  
LIMNOLOGICAL BASIS FOR THE PRODUCTIVITY OF INLAND WATERS

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Proj. No.: TEX06259 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 09 JAN 78 To 08 JAN 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the limnology of the inland waters of Texas on a regional basis by: Inventorying the resource, establishing the basic regional limnological characteristics, identifying those characteristics in each region which are of major importance in determining productivity or are otherwise of critical importance in management of the waters.

APPROACH: Divide the state into limnological regions, working first with ponds, later with streams and reservoirs; inventory the resource, review available data, study representative bodies of water in each region and establish regional limnological patterns, determine critical productivity or management parameters.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Current research is directed at developing the ability to predict the ionic composition of pond waters from the watershed soil chemistry. Conservative ions are being studied using ion exchange characteristics. Field studies are still underway and collections and analyses have been completed for 6 out of a projected 14 total sites in representative areas of Texas. It is now clear that standard soil science techniques for determining the quantity/intensity relationship can also be used successfully to characterize the ion exchange complex of pond muds as well as watershed soils, and that the characteristics of the watershed soil are closely related to lake water composition. Preliminary data indicate that quantity/intensity analysis of watershed soils can predict the order of dominance of the cations in lakes that trap water running over the soils, and that for many systems the activity ratios of the cations may be predicted with some precision. Equilibrium concentrations of phosphorous indicated by adsorption isotherms of watershed soils have been found to be poorly related to oxidized pond mud equilibrium phosphorous concentrations, which have been uniformly too low to measure by standard methods.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

004.207\* CRIS0072931  
EXPERIMENTAL FISH ECOLOGY



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Proj. No.: TEX06295 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 17 JUN 77 To 16 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Experimentally determine biophysical, physiological, and behavioral responses of fishes to environmental variation; evaluate energetic costs and benefits of such responses; generate and evaluate hypotheses relating such responses and their energetic costs/benefits to ecology of wild cultured fishes; develop from these relations generic models for within-habitat distributions of fishes.

**APPROACH:** Mathematical and computer simulation models to provide conceptual framework within which environment-fish relationships are hypothesized, tested by behavioral-physiological experiment, then used in turn to improve models; final validation of models in field, using such techniques as telemetry.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Experimental Fish Ecology project is directed towards understanding how fishes' behavioral and physiological responses to environment are integrated in an ecological context; project successes enhance the capability for predicting ecological responses under both natural and aquacultural conditions. Realistic patterns of fish movement in temperature gradients have been simulated with a generalized mechanistic model that seems potentially valid for species as diverse as carp, Atlantic salmon, and albacore tuna; the model invokes stochastic increases in turning rate whenever physiological comparisons of ambient and body-core temperature imply worsening thermal conditions. The major obstacle to an experimental test of the model's underlying hypothesis has now been overcome: Experiments with bluegill (sunfish) and Tilapia spp. have resulted in a highly accurate model, derived from Newton's law of cooling, for predicting core temperature ( $\pm 0.2$  degrees C) of fish under conditions of continuously fluctuating ambient temperature ( $\pm 10$  degrees C); thus, the need for stressful telemetry of core temperature in thermoregulating fish has been obviated. An apparatus for evaluating envioregulatory responses of fish in multivariate situations has been constructed and will be put into service during early 1981.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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Atlantic Croaker to Gas Supersaturation and  
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109:737-750.

**004.208 CRIS0071939  
FISH POPULATION AND PRODUCTION IN POND AND LAKE  
IMPOUNDMENTS**

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Proj. No.: TEX06206 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 DEC 76 To 31 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine variations in fish population parameters in existing and planned floodwater retarding structures. Relate variations in fish population parameters to variations in management practices and biological, limnological and structural differences among reservoirs. Test and evaluate selected structural modifications and periodic management practices which will enhance fish production in floodwater retarding structure reservoirs.

**APPROACH:** Fish population characteristics of selected reservoirs will be measured and correlated with physical, chemical and biological characteristics of the reservoirs. Selected management techniques will be experimentally evaluated.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Farm and ranch ponds provide the potential for substantial food production and recreation close to rural residences. Florida largemouth bass have been widely stocked into Texas waters, with little known of their ecological requirements and interactions with native northern

largemouth bass. Research on these two subspecies indicated that Florida bass were more susceptible to cold shock, which can occur at the time of stocking, than are northern bass. Intergradation between the subspecies occurs when stocked together, but rates of intergradation vary with pond characteristics, particularly water clarity. Intergradation has occurred within several hatchery stocks in Texas and the genetic integrity of fish stocked throughout the state likely has frequently been mistaken. Studies of floodwater retarding structures indicated that channel catfish populations were largely related to physical conditions, whereas biological conditions were most important to largemouth bass. Summer drawdown of floodwater retarding structures can be used to increase water clarity of turbid lakes without long-lasting direct effects on fish populations. Two new studies on larger impoundments were initiated during 1980. In Lake Conroe, baseline data were collected for evaluation of effects of vegetation control to be initiated in early 1981.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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Subspecies of Largemouth Bass, *Micropterus*  
*salmoides*, in Texas. M.S. Thesis, Texas A and M  
University, College Station, 64 pp.

**004.209 CRIS0084198  
PRE-IMPOUNDMENT ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES OF AQUILLA LAKE**

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SCI; TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS.  
77843.

Proj. No.: TEX06533 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 24 MAR 81 To 30 JUN 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Document fish and wildlife resources of the Aquilla Lake project area. Evaluate current aquatic and terrestrial habitats of the Aquilla Lake project area. Determine land use changes and associated impacts of dam construction on aquatic and wildlife resources.

**APPROACH:** Aquatic habitats and fish resources will be sampled quarterly during the period 1 January 1980 through 30 August 1981. Terrestrial habitats and wildlife will be sampled and evaluated monthly. Infrared aerial photography will be used to determine land uses and the area extent of identified habitat types. Final aerial photography will be taken at dam closure in early 1983.

**004.210 CRIS0060593  
EFFECTS ON SELECTED ORGANISMS OF WATER PASSING  
THROUGH THE CEDAR BAYOU GENERATING STATION**

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FISHERIES SCI; TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION,  
TEXAS. 77843.

Proj. No.: TEX01869 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 APR 71 To 01 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the suitability of electric power plant cooling water for growth, food conversion, and survival of selected species of crustaceans and fishes in cages, ponds, and temperature-controlled tanks.

**APPROACH:** Animals will be held in cages in front of the plant intake and in the discharge canal; in fish ponds located near the start of the discharge canal; and in aquaria in a laboratory to be built near the fish ponds. After the construction of the cooling pond, animals will be kept in cages in its first and last compartments and occurrence and distribution of selected organisms in the cooling pond will be determined. Temperatures in the aquaria will span the range of temperatures usually occurring in Trinity Bay. The influence of the effluent on phytoplankters both in the field and in culture will also be determined.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 78/12. Species most suited for commercial production in the vast quantities of water pumped by the Cedar Bayou Generating Station are being identified and raised to evaluate their potential. Blue shrimp (*Penaeus stylirostris*) survived low salinities (2‰ or less for over half of the culture period) associated with heavy rain falls during the Summer of 1978, but survival and production were down. Quality of harvested shrimp was excellent. Staggered stocking of postlarvae appeared superior to a single stocking. Mud minnows (*Fundulus grandis*) were raised for marine live bait. Local fish performed better than a pond-raised stock from Alabama. Some spawning occurred all summer. Polyculture of black drum (*Pogonias chromis*) and striped mullet (*Mugil cephalus*) was superior to monoculture. New pens are better than cages for black drum culture, because they are cheaper to construct and less labor intensive.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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#### FISH PHYSIOLOGY IN RESPONSE TO WATER QUALITY AND CHEMISTRY

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Proj. No.: TEX06260  
Agency ID: CSRS

Project Type: HATCH  
Period: 10 FEB 77 To 30 OCT 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine physiological changes, particularly in blood pH, due to water pH, water temperatures, ions and ion concentrations, and other aquatic environmental factors. Establish minimal and optimal water quality parameters for fish survival, as influenced by acid-base stress factors, flesh wounds, feed and other factors.

APPROACH: Fishes will be subjected to water containing various levels of ABPS factor under controlled laboratory conditions. Temperature, blood and water pH, buffering ions and observations on the well being of the fish will be recorded on a regular basis.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Each species of fish is adapted to its own set of hydrological conditions. Intensive culture adds stress and intensifies our need to delineate ranges and optimums. A species either should be cultured in natural water that fully meet its requirements or in water that is cheap to modify. The buffering system and resulting pH controls both the loss of ammonia to air and its toxicity. The objectives of our research are as follows 1) the ability of channel catfish to withstand exposure to acid-base stress in various solutions of CaCl<sub>2</sub> will be examined, 2) the relationship between blood pH and the salt solution will be assessed to determine the physicochemical buffering capacity, 3) other hematological characteristics will also be examined to determine their relationship with blood pH and the salt solution. Project goals have been completed up to conducting the experimental phase.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### ECOLOGY AND TAXONOMY OF TWO MAJOR ORDERS OF AQUATIC INSECTS, EPHEMEROPTERA AND TRICHOPTERA, IN VA

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Proj. No.: VA-0612317

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 NOV 78 To 31 OCT 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine the function of selected species of Ephemeroptera and Trichoptera in aquatic ecosystems. Analyze the downstream effects of impoundment upon a river ecosystem. Prepare identification manuals for the Ephemeroptera and Trichoptera occurring in Virginia.

APPROACH: Field and laboratory studies with basic and applied aspects aimed at understanding the taxonomy and ecology of aquatic insects, with special emphasis on determining the downstream effects produced by impounding rivers.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A comparative study of the secondary production of filter-feeding Trichoptera in an impounded and a free-flowing river was completed. Total production was extremely high immediately below the dam (318,416 mgDW/m<sup>2</sup>/yr), but farther downstream production in the impounded river (11,221 mgDW/m<sup>2</sup>/yr) was considerably less than that at a similar location in a free-flowing river (50,416 mgDW/m<sup>2</sup>/yr). Seston analysis showed that the release of nutritious plankton, particularly zooplankton, from the reservoir was the primary factor responsible for the high production below the dam. However, the amount of available energy in the seston decreased downstream, because the abnormally high densities of filter-feeders immediately below the dam lowered the food quality of the seston. Further analyses of the effects of impoundment on the life history of *Heterocleonus curiosus* (Ephemeroptera) indicated that surface-release reservoirs may have subtle, but significant, adverse effects on benthic macroinvertebrates. A 50% reduction in the density of *H. curiosus* in the impounded river, as compared to the free-flowing river, was attributed to reduced fecundity brought about by an altered thermal regime.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### AN EVALUATION OF ENDANGERED MOLLUSKS IN VIRGINIA

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Proj. No.: VA-1111111  
Agency ID: SAES

Project Type: STATE  
Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop a literature review, species range and relative distribution maps for the nine endangered species; develop habitat characterization for the nine species; determine and life histories of two common mussels; summarize components 1 and 2 and prepare final report.

APPROACH: Survey mussel populations in the Clinch, Powell and Holston River; determine water quality, substrate composition and species associations at sites with endangered mussels; artificially infect various species of fish in the laboratory to



determine the required fish hosts; apply appropriate statistical analyses to data and write final report.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The final report on the first phase of this project was submitted to the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries in October, 1980. Based on recently completed mussel surveys in southwestern Virginia, the following 7 endangered species reside in the Clinch, Powell, and Holston Rivers: *Fusconaia edgariana*, *Fusconaia cuneolus*, *Dremsa dromas*, *Conradilla caelata*, *Quadrula intermedia*, *Quadrula sparsa*, and *Dysnomia walkeri*. Three of these species occur only in the lower Powell River, an area influenced by upstream coal mining operations. Two of the species are relatively widespread, and approximately 55 river kilometers in Virginia are considered of utmost importance for the continued survival of 5 of the 7 species. Mussel surveys at 2 bridge construction locations on the Clinch River recorded 3 endangered species near these sites. Recommendations were made to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation for mitigating disturbance of the habitat of these endangered species.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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BIOACCUMULATION AND IMPACT OF HIGHWAY-GENERATED HEAVY METALS ON STREAM FISHERY RESOURCES IN VIRGINIA

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Proj. No.: VA-0612367 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JAN 80 To 30 DEC 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine lead, cadmium, nickel, and zinc levels in water, sediments, invertebrate animals and fish associated with highways of different traffic densities. Determine if lead, cadmium, nickel, and zinc move upward in aquatic food chains. Determine if seasonal changes in contamination occur. Assess the relationship of metal accumulation with age and size of fish. Assess impact of heavy metal contamination on fish and invertebrate animal populations as a function of traffic density and period of exposure. Profile hematological parameters to determine their utility as indicators of stress associated with heavy metal toxification.

APPROACH: Collect quarterly samples of water, sediment, and aquatic plants and animals from streams which are crossed or paralleled by established highways. Collect quarterly samples of water, sediment, and aquatic plants and animals from streams of pre- and post- construction of new highways. Analyze samples for heavy metals using standard clean-lab atomic absorption spectrophotometric methods. Construct fish hematological profiles. Validation through additional lab work.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. All field collections have been completed on the sub-project to evaluate activity of selected enzymes as indicators of chronic lead contamination in trout from roadside streams. Enzyme levels in blood and lead concentrations in bone and liver are being analyzed to determine relationships and effects of traffic density. Pre-traffic data were collected during the autumn on lead, zinc, nickel and cadmium in the biota of streams which flow under I295. Population estimates were made for fish and benthos. Study sites include upstream, highway, and downstream locations on two streams.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

VAN HASSEL, J.E. NEY, J.J. and GARLING JR., D.L. 1980. Heavy Metals in a Stream Ecosystem at Sites Near Highways. Trans. Amer. Fish. Soc. 109:656-663.

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TEE USE OF FISHING TOURNAMENT RECORDS TO ESTIMATE ABUNDANCE OF BASS POPULATIONS

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Proj. No.: VA-0612338 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 MAR 79 To 28 FEB 82

OBJECTIVES: The abundance of largemouth bass in a lake will be estimated from various types of data available from fishing tournaments. Decline in catch per unit effort in several tournaments, on Back Bay, Virginia, in one year will be evaluated as a practical method of estimating population abundance for management purposes.

APPROACH: During spring of 1979 and 1980, largemouth bass will be collected by electrofishing and marked with distinctive fin clips. During fishing tournaments throughout the year, all captured fish will be observed for marks and catch per unit of effort will be calculated. Ongoing creel census or Back Bay will provide data on total harvest. Procedures for population estimation developed for Back Bay will be applied to data for other reservoirs in the southeastern U.S.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980, 12 bass fishing tournaments and general fishing use were monitored on Back Bay, Virginia to develop methods for estimating largemouth bass abundance. Population estimates were made by mark-recapture, fishing success using tournaments, and fishing success using all fishermen. All estimates are comparable and indicate a population of approximately 160,000 largemouth bass 300-mm or longer. The method using fishing success and creel census data may be useful because the necessary data are collected for other management purposes on many major fisheries. Data have been collected for another lake in Virginia, two lakes in West Virginia, and a lake in Oklahoma.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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IMPACTS OF RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPLOITATION ON NATURAL RESOURCES

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Proj. No.: VA-1111112 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: The effects of various environmental changes and exploitation activities on fish populations will be investigated by literature review and field sampling. Environmental changes, such as road construction, reservoir construction, water quality alterations, and forest management will be used to create generalizations regarding the impact on fish populations in streams, rivers and impoundments. Exploitation of fish populations for commercial and recreational purposes will be analyzed to determine potential benefits and effects of exploitation of resident and introduced species.

APPROACH: Surveys of fish populations and fishery users will be made in areas destined for habitat or population alteration. Based on descriptions of the existing environment and analysis of relevant literature, changes in the affected ecosystems will be predicted. Post-alteration surveys will be conducted to determine the accuracy and precision of predictions and formulate general principles.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Progress on this project has occurred under a variety of separate analyses of the relationship between resource use and fisheries. Re-routing of an access road to the Gathright Dam area in western Virginia was predicted to have no permanent impact on the adjacent stream, and recommendations for minimum impact on the stream and watershed were made to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Extensive inventory of fish fauna and censusing of fishing on Brunsley Creek and Hidden Valley Lake in southwest Virginia indicated that

construction of a pumped-storage hydroelectric project on the stream might impact both stream fishes and fishing. However, comparison of fauna and fishing use to other similar locations indicated that the fauna was typical of other streams and could be re-introduced and that fishing in the effected areas was of comparable or lower quality than other areas. Assessment of the potential for establishing a commercial bait minnow fishery on the Ohio River in West Virginia indicated that both Ohio and West Virginia bait dealers would utilize the minnows if they could be caught, transported, maintained, and sold readily. Sampling of sport and commercial fishes in the Ohio River indicated that only seager utilize minnow species extensively as prey

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NIELSEN, L.A. 1980. Fisheries Component. In: A Preliminary Environmental Assessment of a Potential Site for an Appalachian Power Company Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Facility. Center for Environmental Studies, Va. Poly. Inst.

BAIN, M.E. 1980. The Relationship of Parental Care, Fish Predation, and Larval Bluegill Survival During Nesting. M.S. Thesis. Va. Poly. Inst. and State Univ., Blacksburg. 75 pp.

#### 004.217\* CRIS0081386 FACTORS INFLUENCING TROUT PRODUCTION IN VIRGINIA STREAMS

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Proj. No.: VA-111114 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Examine links between the food production base and brook trout production, develop the work on brook trout competition with other age classes or trout and with nongame fish to include competition, determine rainbow trout production and gonadal energetics during the year.

APPROACH: Collect monthly quantitative samples of macroinvertebrates to determine trophic structure, biomass, production and feeding rates; collect quarterly depletion samples of fishes to determine trophic structure, biomass, production and food habits, compare food habits of trout with nongame fishes and examine longitudinal zonation of fishes in the stream, conduct quarterly mark-recapture sampling, collect length-weight data and use bomb calorimetry on somatic and reproductive tissues during the year.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Macroinvertebrate identification and enumeration from quarterly drift samples is largely completed and is being used to relate to food habits of trout and nongame fishes to determine trophic relationships and feeding overlaps. One hundred sixty taxa of benthic invertebrates have been identified from Guys Run. Measurements of primary and secondary production have been collected and are in the process of analysis. Behavioral observations of spatial distribution and feeding activities have been conducted for brook trout and five nongame species in laboratory experiments. A conceptual model of energy flow dynamics is being developed for Guys Run, a second order native brook trout stream. Collections of rainbow trout for reproductive biology, gonad energetics and annual production have been completed and are being analyzed using multivariate statistics and Ricker's cohort production formula ( $P = GE$ ).

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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GARMAN, G.C. 1980. Impacts of Stocked Brown Trout (*Salmo trutta*) on the Native Fish Fauna of Bottom Creek, Virginia. M.S. Thesis. Va. Poly. Inst. and State Univ., Blacksburg. 81 pp.

#### 004.218\* CRIS0070377 MODE OF ACTION AND INFLUENCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS ON THE TOXICITY OF SEVERAL AQUATIC HERBICIDES

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Proj. No.: VA-0612269 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSSES Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: The effects of temperature, pH, light, bicarbonate ions and algal cell densities on the performance of chelated cupric ions, diquat, diuron, simazine, and combinations of these aquatic herbicides will be examined. The mode of action of the herbicides at cellular and sub-cellular levels will be studied to facilitate comprehension of aberrations in physiological functions of plants exposed to the compounds.

APPROACH: Since these compounds are inhibitors of photosynthesis, photosynthesis and growth of *Chlorella sorokiniana* and electron transport in isolated chloroplasts will be used to determine toxicity. The possibility of chlorophyll degradation by these herbicides and the role of photosensitized reactions in this destruction will be examined. Attempts will be made to determine active and non-active site binding of the herbicide molecules and their influence on lipid peroxidation.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The work on the mode of action of the 1,3,4-thiadiazolyl herbicidal derivatives was completed and a summary of that work was presented in the fifth international congress on photosynthesis during last summer. From that work it was concluded that photosynthesis is the main metabolic process inhibited by these herbicides in plants. R-25788 (N, N-diallyl-2,2-dichloroacetamide) is a chemical used commercially to protect corn (*Zea mays* L.) from injury caused by the thiocarbamate herbicides EPTC and butylate. Our knowledge on the mode of action of the antidote R-25788 is limited. It has been proposed that R-25788 increases the rate of metabolism of these herbicides in corn. Indirect evidence to support this hypothesis was obtained in our studies initiated this past summer in the greenhouse. The herbicide tebuthuron resembles structurally a group of chemicals known as 1,2,3-benzothiadiazoles, which are strong inhibitors of metabolic enzymes called mixed-function oxidases. Mixed-function oxidases have been implicated in catalyzing the oxidation of the sulfur atom of the thiocarbamate herbicides in corn. Growth responses of corn seedlings treated with combinations of tebuthuron and EPTC or Butylate in the presence of the antidote R-25788, were indicative of synergistic interactions of these chemicals. Thus, it appeared that R-25788 may act by increasing the activity of the mixed function oxidase system that sulfoxidizes EPTC and butylate in corn.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

HATZIOS, K.K. 1981. Synergistic Interactions of Tebuthuron with Eredicene (EPTC + R-25788) and Sutan + (Euthlate + R-25788) and Its Implications on the Mode of Action of the Herbicide Antidote R-25788. Abstracts Weed Sci. Soc. of

#### 004.219 CRIS0033237 NITROGEN FIXATION IN METHANE-OXIDIZING BACTERIA

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Proj. No.: 7801086 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CRGC Period: 22 SEP 78 To 31 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Isolate and characterize new strains of nitrogen-fixing methane-oxidizing bacteria. Determine the influence of various chemical and physical parameters on nitrogen fixation in one of these new isolates. Determine the relative importance of nitrogen fixation by methane-oxidizers in five different aquatic environments.



APPROACH: Five distinct aquatic environments will be sampled. Various chemical and physical determinations will be made on these samples and they will also be used for enrichment culture. Isolates will be characterized and regulatory studies will be carried out on one isolate with the use of continuous culture techniques.

PROGRESS: 79/10 TO 80/09. Two new facultative methane-oxidizing bacteria have been isolated from lake water enrichments and characterized. One of these, named *Methylobacterium ethanolicum* has been used for further studies. Nitrogen fixation has been found to be regulated by oxygen in both *M. ethanolicum* and *Methylobacterium organophilum* R6, with the optimum in sulfate-limited continuous culture ( $D = 0.03$ ) at 25 mM. The structural genes for nitrogen fixation have been located in *M. organophilum* R6 onto an 11.5 kb EcoRI chromosomal fragment and in *M. ethanolicum* onto a 12.1 kb EcoRI chromosomal fragment, using the probe PSA30 containing the *nif* region of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. A seasonal ecological study has been initiated and has shown that nitrogen fixing methane oxidizers predominate in lakes where oxygen tensions are low but methane is in the mM range. In Lake Washington and Soap Lake, it appears unlikely that nitrogen fixation is being carried out by methane oxidizers.

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LYNCH, M.J., WOPAT, A.E. and OCONNOR, M.L. 1980. Characterization of Two New Facultative Methanotrophs. *Appl. Micro.* 40:400-407.

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#### 004.220 CRIS0066854 MICROBIAL ECOLOGY OF METHANE PRODUCTION IN AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS

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Proj. No.: WIS02110 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 74 To 30 AUG 81

OBJECTIVES: Characterization of the microbial anaerobic niche, as it occurs in aquatic sediments, in terms of: environmental parameters affecting bacterial methane formation; quantitative enumeration and kinds of methane bacteria present; determination of the in situ rates of methane production and decomposition of organic matter; determination of the preferred substrates employed by methane-producing bacteria present. Isolation of bacterial species responsible for methane formation in aquatic sediments and specification of their important properties, in terms of: determination of general properties, nutritional requirements and growth rates; determination of the rates of methane production and factors which influence this process; establishment of taxonomic identity and characterization of new species.

APPROACH: Characterization of bacterial methane formation as it occurs in nature by employing in situ experiments. Quantitative enumeration of methane-producing bacteria present in sample sediments. Isolation of pertinent bacterial species and characterization of their morphological, nutritional and physiological properties.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Microbial methanogenesis was characterized in situ in thermal, volcanic environments in Yellowstone National Park, wetlands in living trees and lake sediments in Wisconsin lakes. The organisms responsible for methanogenesis in these ecosystems and source rock from oil fields in U.S.S.R. were isolated and, their general growth and metabolic features were examined. Methanol was shown to be an important end product of pectin metabolism. Methanol metabolism by acidogenic and methanogenic bacteria was examined in more detail. A

new species was described, *Eutyrilacterium methylophilum*, that produced organic acids from growth on methanol,  $H_2$ /CO(2) or carbon monoxide as energy sources. The involvement of vitamin E(12) in methanol metabolism by anaerobes was established by quantification of high amounts of corrinoids in methanogens or acetogens specifically grown on methanol.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

ZEIKUS, J.G. 1980. Microbial Populations in Digestors. In *Proc. First International Symposium on Anaerobic Digestion*. Stafford, D.A. (ed), pp. 75-103. A.D. Scientific Press, Cardiff.

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#### 004.221 CRIS0057149 BIOLOGY, ECOLOGY, TAXONOMY AND DISTRIBUTION OF AQUATIC INSECTS IN WISCONSIN

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Proj. No.: WIS01564 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 JUN 85

OBJECTIVES: Provide illustrated keys to the genera and species of aquatic insects found in Wisconsin. Determine the life cycles and distribution of aquatic insects in Wisconsin. Evaluate extrinsic bioregulatory mechanisms in aquatic beetles.

APPROACH: Aquatic insects will be collected from all types of habitats throughout Wisconsin and identified to species whenever possible. When sufficient knowledge is gained about a family, group of families, or order within Wisconsin, species keys and notes on biology and distribution will be published. A study of aquatic beetles will be continued to determine factors that cause emergence, flight, swimming and hiding behavior, and hibernation. Methods for quantitatively evaluating beetle populations will be developed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Aquatic Insects of Wisconsin was revised. All keys were modified, some extensively, and plates were expanded with about 100 additional illustrations. Other figures were redrawn, and information on biology and ecology was updated. Studies of bioregulatory mechanisms in water beetles were greatly expanded. We developed a new technique for quantitatively sampling shallow ponds, which involves enclosing a measured area in a cylinder and adding an irritant to force beetles to the surface where they can be easily collected. Life cycles of several species were studied and it was found that low soil moisture levels prevented some species from emerging from their pupal chamber. Larvae of several species were described for the first time. Movements of beetles within and into and out of a pond were studied. Most species congregated in shallow water with a heavy vegetative cover, but a few preferred the deeper areas. Beetles entered wintering sites in October, either in or out of the pond. Those that hibernated within the pond became active in early spring before the ice melted from the pond. A study of the distribution, abundance, and life cycles of the abundance, and life cycles of the abundant caddisfly fauna of Otter Creek was initiated in April, with collections being made at 2-week intervals from five sites in the stream. During the warm months, adult caddisflies were collected with a blacklight in alternate weeks.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### EFFECTS OF ANTIMYCIN ON STREAM INSECTS

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Proj. No.: WIS02303

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 74 To 31 DEC 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine acute toxicity of antimycin to about 50 common species of stream insects. Determine effects of pH and temperature on rates of mortality caused by antimycin. Determine chronic effects of antimycin on emergence of stoneflies, mayflies, and caddisflies. Study effects of antimycin in a stream treated by Department of Natural Resources personnel to eliminate rough fish.

APPROACH: Initial toxicity experiments will be carried out at concentrations of 1, 10, 100, and 1000 parts per billion (ppb) in 5 liter polyethylene containers and compared to a control. Final replicated tests will be run at twofold dilutions within the range of 0 to 100% mortality. Tests will be conducted at 2°C or 20°C at pH 8.0 or pH 7.0 with mortality recorded over a 5-day period. Effects of treatment of the Rock River will be studied by sampling benthos in treated and untreated sections before and after treatment. Drift samples in treated and untreated sections will be compared.

PROGRESS: 78/01 TO 78/12. The toxicity of antimycin to 38 species of Wisconsin stream insects was evaluated in static, aerated bioassays utilizing antimycin exposures typical of stream treatments used to kill fish. Several species of Trichoptera, Ephemeroptera and Plecoptera were very sensitive to fish killing concentrations of antimycin (EC-50 less than 50 ppb). Beetles (*Psephenus herricki*, *Optioservus fastiditus*, *Stenelmis crenata*, *Helichus striatus*), dragonfly nymphs (*Neurocordula molesta*, *Gomphurus vastus*), damselfly nymphs (*Argia apicalis*), fishfly larvae (*Nigronia serricornis*), and snipe fly larvae (*Atherix variegata*) were relatively unaffected by antimycin (EC-50 greater than 1,000 ppb). Early instars of *Tipula* spp. and *Ephemerella* sp. were more sensitive to antimycin than later instars. Exposure to antimycin produced greater mortality at 18 degrees C than at lower temperatures in several species, even though exposure times were reduced at the higher temperature. Post-exposure observations indicated mortality may be delayed more than five days, particularly at reduced temperatures. Large differences in antimycin sensitivity were found for different species belonging to the same family (hydropsychid caddisflies, perlid stoneflies). Emergence of several species of stream insects was reduced or prevented by exposure of the mature larvae or nymphs to sublethal concentrations of antimycin.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 78/12

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#### EFFECTS OF LIVESTOCK GRAZING PRACTICES ON THE WATER QUALITY OF STREAMS

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Proj. No.: WIS02338

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Document effects of pasturing cattle on the fauna and water quality of streams. Determine factors associated with the congregation of cattle in streams. Determine relationships of cattle weight, stream flow, cattle access, and water quality.

APPROACH: Replicated laboratory tests will be carried out in artificial streams at various temperatures and current velocities to determine effects of different amounts of cattle manure in the water on selected aquatic insects known to be sensitive to organic pollution. The arthropod fauna of a stream from which cattle have been fenced will be compared before and after fencing and with a control stream. Other streams will be observed to determine how many cattle can be pastured and under what conditions before the ecosystem of a stream is altered.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Tests of the effects of manure on water quality and aquatic insects were carried out in two pairs of 8-foot fiberglassed streams channels. In this system we can control water temperature, discharge rate, depth of riffles and pools, current velocity and photoperiod. A 5-day EOD test showed a 10g/l suspension of manure to have a EOD 59mg/l, nearly twice the effluent standard of 30mg/l required by law. Effects of manure were tested for 2-week periods at concentrations of 2, 4, 8, 16 and 32g/l, with the manure confined in a mesh bag. At the two highest concentrations, dissolved oxygen levels dropped to 5mg/l and there was significant mortality of *Acroeuria lycorias* and *Symphitopsyche riola*, a stonefly and a caddisfly. Large amounts of nutrients were released into the stream from the manure, causing considerable growths of periphyton. This in turn resulted in diel dissolved oxygen fluctuations as great as 1.1mg/l. Total organic nitrogen increased 2 to 26 fold and total phosphorous 2 to 134 fold over the range of manure concentrations tested. Color, conductivity and alkalinity all increased substantially upon addition of manure. All initial tests were carried out with soft water from Otter Creek in Sauk County, but similar results were achieved with water from Trout Creek, a hard water stream. In additional tests, manure was thoroughly mixed with the water instead of being enclosed in a mesh bag.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

## 5. Feeding and Nutrition

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#### EVALUATION OF A CLOSED SYSTEM FOR THE CULTURE OF FISH, SHELLFISH AND AQUATIC PLANTS

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Proj. No.: ALA00399

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 14 APR 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Maximize animal protein production from a fed fish population in a closed system through the use of aquatic plants, fish and shellfish grown in the effluent. Develop management plan for growing fish from recently hatched fry to harvestable size in a closed system. Determine the carrying capacity of closed systems for various sizes of food fish fingerlings.

APPROACH: Food fish populations will be grown in tanks and fed a complete diet. The effluent will be reconditioned by circulation through tanks containing populations of filter feeding fish and shellfish. It will be further reconditioned with the removal of dissolved nutrients by aquatic plants. Reconditioned water will be aerated by air blower and returned to the food fish population.

PROGRESS: 75/04 TO 80/06. During 1980 all data for the year 1979 were summarized and recorded in a doctoral dissertation and two technical papers. Data collected during the five-year period of the project were summarized and the various modifications of the systems used were compared. This project was initiated 14 April 1975 and terminated 30 June 1980. Initial experiments were conducted in dual tanks, one for production and one for filtration. In this system



dense populations of unicellular algae developed and was not adequately removed by the filter or filter feeding fish. Maximum production of channel catfish was 2.65 kg/m<sup>3</sup> and tilapia was 4.54 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. A system of one production and three filtration tanks was developed. Aquatic macrophytes were used to control unicellular algae. Maximum production of Tilapia was 38.9 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/04 TO 80/06

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MANAGEMENT OF AQUATIC PLANTS FOR SPORT FISH  
PRODUCTION IN PONDS

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Proj. No.: AIA00398 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JAN 75 TO 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the most effective fertilization rate for high levels of fish production in ponds. Determine the amount of fertilizer needed for moderate fish production and adequate control of aquatic weeds in ponds. Develop better methods for applying fertilizers to ponds.

APPROACH: Influence of different rates of fertilization on production of bluegill sunfish and growth of aquatic weeds will be evaluated in ponds. Need for trace elements in fertilizer mixtures will be investigated by nutrient bioassay experiments. Two methods of application, broadcasting and underwater platforms, will be compared. Detention time of water for effective fertilization will be determined in ponds with known flushing rates.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. No progress report.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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POND FERTILIZATION AND LIMING

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Proj. No.: ALA00497 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 APR 79 TO 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine the solubilities of different phosphorus fertilizers in pond waters. Evaluate fluid fertilizers for use in sport fish ponds. Investigate use of low rates of calcium hydroxide for liming ponds which have excessive overflow during winter and spring.

APPROACH: Solubilities of phosphorus compounds will be determined by measuring the loss of phosphorus from samples of these compounds placed on fertilizer platforms in ponds. Compounds will be tested in ponds representing a range of water quality. Effects of different ratios and rates of application of fluid fertilizer on bluegill production will be evaluated in ponds. Effects of calcium hydroxide applications on total hardness and total alkalinity will be tested in ponds which have excessive overflow during winter and spring.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Dissolution rates for phosphate fertilizers settling through 1.8m of water at 29 degrees F were: superphosphate, 4.6%; triple superphosphate, 5.1%; monoammonium phosphate, 7.1%; mixed 8-8-8 fertilizer, 11.4%; mixed 20-20-5 fertilizer, 11.9%; diammonium phosphate, 16.8%. Nitrogen was highly soluble (61.7 to 98.8%) from settling granules of sodium nitrate, calcium nitrate, ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulfate, and two mixed

fertilizers, but not (5.1 to 11.7%) from ammonium phosphates. Five pond fertilization programs (44.8 kg/ha per application of 20-20-5 mixed fertilizer, 20.2 kg/ha per application of triple superphosphate, 10.1 kg/ha per application of triple superphosphate, 10.1 kg/ha per application of diammonium phosphate, and 7.3 kg/ha of a liquid fertilizer with a grade of 13-25-0) all resulted in similar sunfish yields. The cost of fertilization may be greatly reduced by using the low triple superphosphate treatment 10.1 kg/ha, diammonium phosphate, or liquid fertilizer.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 71 TO 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop production and management systems for freshwater food animals - Nutrition.

APPROACH: Winter feeding regimes for catfish in ponds will be studied. Mineral and vitamin requirements for catfish will be determined. Energy requirements and digestibility from various food sources will be determined for catfish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Channel catfish fed rations of 15% extruded (floating) and 85% pelleted (sinking) diets in ponds grew as well and had the same feed conversion rate as fish fed 50:50, 100:0, or 0:100 ratios of extruded to pelleted diets. Extruded diets cost 20% more. A small percentage of the extruded diet in the ration gave the same management benefits but was 17% cheaper than feeding an all-extruded diet. Channel catfish synthesized as much as 1.9ng/g body wt/day of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> by intestinal bacteria. Addition of an antibiotic or omission of cobalt from the diet suppressed vitamin synthesis. Intestinally synthesized vitamin B<sub>12</sub> was absorbed directly from the gut and utilized by the fish. Fish fed diets without B<sub>12</sub> showed deficiency signs. A nutritionally-complete meal-type diet for feeding ornamental fishes was developed which would not lose any water-soluble nutrients to leaching when the feed was placed in the water. Vitamin C was most susceptible to leaching. By suspending powdered vitamin C in oil and spraying on, it adhered well to feed particles when put in water.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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INSECTS ATTRACTED BY LIGHT AS A SOURCE OF FOOD FOR  
CATFISH

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Proj. No.: A1X-PR-0006-859 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 27 JUN 74 To 20 JUL 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate the effectiveness of different light sources in attracting (making available for fish) insects and zooplankton over fish ponds. Determine most advantageous time to run the light during the crepuscular and diurnal periods. Determine cost-benefit ratio of insect and fish meal fed fish along with weight gain and survival per acre. Determine the feeding efficiency of small fingerlings on aquatic insects and zooplankton that are attracted to the lights. Determine species and life stages of insects attracted.

**APPROACH:** Channel catfish fingerlings will be stocked at the rate of 1,500 to 2,000 per acre in eight (8) 1/10 acre ponds. The treatments will consist of feeding the fish a formula similar to Auburn Number 2, while a diet with reduced protein will be fed to fish which are utilizing attracted insects. The tenth acre ponds will have a controlled water supply.

**PROGRESS:** 74/06 TO 79/06. Attraction of aerial insects to supplement channel catfish production was insignificant economically for both cage and pond production methods. Additional growth benefits were not achieved by catfish during three seasons of study which involved at least four experiments. A nutritional profile of attracted insects suggested that they were dietarily adequate; but data collections revealed that neither sufficient volumes of insects were made available, nor were insects utilized by the catfish. Therefore, with light-attraction units, costs of production were doubled in cages and nearly tripled in ponds compared to production units receiving artificial feed alone. Light units do concentrate catfish for harvest either by recreational or commercial methods. Aerial insects may be reduced around living areas, gardens, and livestock by light-attraction units and some may be cycled through fish rather than wasted entirely. There is a need for additional research with light attraction of insects for other fish species. Greater utilization may be anticipated with sunfishes, and possibly even with catfish fry during the first year of their development.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 74/06 TO 79/06

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**CRUSTACEAN NUTRITION AND FEED DEVELOPMENT**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ASC-3891-B Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Define the nutritional requirements of crustaceans; define other important nutritional parameter (i.e., consumption assimilation, food conversion) for use in the economic evaluation of crustacean aquaculture; design appropriate nutrient delivery systems (i.e., stable, nonleaching microparticles for water-soluble nutrients, binding systems for particulate portion of pelletized rations, etc.) for aquatic crustaceans.

**APPROACH:** Various deficiency syndromes will be established for the lobster, *Homarus americanus* and other crustaceans by using a series of defined diets. Addition of a various feed ingredients and specific nutrients to the diets will allow for the definition of qualitative requirements which eliminate the various deficiency syndromes. A range of microencapsulation techniques will be evaluated as to their ability to prevent leaching of required nutrients which are water-soluble and as to their acceptability to cultured crustaceans. Quantitative studies will be carried out in order to maximize growth and health of intensively cultured crustaceans. Feeding trials will be used to define the interaction of dietary and environmental influences on consumption. Assimilation and

conversion values for the lobster will be established using an input-output balance approach and used along with the other data in the economic evaluation of lobster aquaculture.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Development of practical and economical formulated rations for use in the commercial cultivation of lobsters (*Homarus americanus* and *B. gammarus*) as well as other decapod crustaceans. This development requires for crustaceans the definition of minimal, qualitative requirements along with the delineation of optimum quantities of both essential and growth promoting nutrients. In addition to identifying these nutrient requirements, other parameters such as consumption, assimilation and food conversion need to be quantified. Significant progress has been made in the attempt to provide an efficient pelletized ration which will promote rapid growth and high survival. Inclusion of soy lecithin (approximately 10% dry weight) into the formulated purified diet has been found to be critical and eliminates mortalities associated with a "molt death syndrome". This syndrome is characterized by the lobster's inability to extricate itself successfully from its exoskeleton during ecdysis. We have now demonstrated the phosphatidylcholine is the active component of the soy lecithin. Preliminary information suggests that the phosphatidylcholine is an important component of a lipoprotein complex that effectively transfers cholesterol, an essential nutrient for lobsters, from the hepatopancreas to the hemolymph.

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**NUTRITIONAL ASPECTS OF AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-FST-3010-H Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Learn more of nutrient requirements of crustacea, including such things as optimal dietary level of protein and the interrelationship of energy and protein in diets for juvenile and adult crustacea; develop the technology of better feed delivery systems, including encapsulation and other means of preventing nutrient loss by leaching.

**APPROACH:** A system for holding several hundred juvenile crustacea (or other aquatic animals) has been designed and built and will be installed in the Ecology Institute of the University of California at Davis. Experimental animals will be housed in this system with controlled water quality, temperature, light etc. Feeding experiments will be conducted according to established protocol, and will be based on our earlier work in this area.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Delivery of essential nutrients is the primary purpose of any animal ration. We have been able to demonstrate the failure of conventional shrimp and lobster in water soluble nutrients for periods long enough to assure effective delivery to the target animal. The loss due to leaching of riboflavin choline, vitamin C, free amino acids and potassium was found to be rapid and independent of a ration's physical stability, regardless of the binding agent used in the diet.



Losses of total nitrogen and trace minerals were found to be negligible when examined on a per gram ration recovered basis. We have investigated the use of ethyl cellulose as a coating agent to retain water soluble nutrients in pelleted feeds. When the entire ration pellet was coated, minimal nutrient leaching occurred, even after 6 hours. Inclusion of individually coated micronutrients was less effective than total pellet coating for nutrient retention, but did help prevent losses due to leaching.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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**THE USE OF SELECTED AQUATIC ORGANISMS FOR PURPOSES OF AQUACULTURE (FOOD PRODUCTION)**

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3350-B Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 05 NOV 74 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the tolerances, growth dynamics, food preference, egg hatchability of selected pest organisms. Utilize existing pest organisms such as tadpole shrimp and cladophora algae for beneficial purposes such as low cost protein source.

**APPROACH:** Initially information will be obtained relating to the environmental needs of the organisms under consideration. Later we will manage environmental factors in order to maximize the production of the potential protein material for purposes of either a domestic animal food (i.e., chicken or catfish food) or a protein supplement for humans.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Preparation of manuscripts resulting from our work with the Malaysian prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*) continues. These manuscripts focus on physiological aspects of our research and will be submitted to scientific journals in the near future. Research to better understand the laboratory culture of the grass shrimp (*Crangon*) is progressing well. This shrimp is a key food item for striped bass and sturgeon. Those culturing the sturgeon in the laboratory have indicated a need for food that is also under culture and therefore readily available to feed fish. Our research to determine the environmental needs of the shrimp has increased our capabilities to successfully culture this shrimp in the laboratory. Recently we have included the Asiatic clam (*Corbicula*) in our culture operations. This clam exhibits potential as a filter feeder to remove undesirable particulate matter from aquaculture systems. In addition, the clam has demonstrated an ability to accumulate toxic materials such as heavy metals and organic materials. Clams, it is felt, will serve as excellent monitoring organisms in aquaculture systems. We are experimenting with methods of placing the clams in aquatic systems and their retrieval for tissue burden determination.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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NAGAMINE, C., KNIGHT, A.W., NAGAMINE, C., KNIGHT, A.W., MAGGENTI, A. AND PAXMAN, G. 1980. Effects of Androgenic Gland Ablation on Male Primary and Secondary Sexual Characteristics in the Malaysian Prawn. *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* with First Evident of Induced

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**DIETARY FACTORS IN WHITE FISH MEAL RESPONSIBLE FOR CATARACT FORMATION IN TROUT**

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Proj. No.: COL00032 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SABS Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 JUN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Investigate some of the nutritional factors in white fish meal responsible for growth retardation and high incidence of cataract in trout. Modify the white fish meal by addition of necessary factors or deletion of injurious substances so that it could be effectively used as a supplement to trout feed.

**APPROACH:** Feeding experiments: Long-range feeding of trout on a complete white fish feed will be performed in order to determine the incidence and time factor involved in the formation of cataract. The effect of lipid-free and heavy-metal-free diets will also be studied. Organic solvents will be used to extract lipid components, and specific chelating agents will be employed to remove heavy elements. The compositional analysis of white fish meal will be aimed at determining the amino acid content of proteins, free and bound carbohydrates and heavy trace elements. Automated amino acid analysis, gas chromatography and atomic absorption procedures will be used, respectively to accomplish these. Compositional analysis of lens proteins from normal and cataractous fish will be done after solubilization and separation of lens proteins by conventional procedures, followed by acid hydrolysis or proteins to liberate amino acids. The levels of cysteine, cystine and tryptophan will be particularly of interest.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. Inclusion of white fish meal at a 20% level into the trout diet was found to cause cataract (67% at 140 days) and higher incidence of mortality (48%) as compared to herring-meal diet. No significant difference in the amino acid composition was found between herring and white fish meals. Fortification of the white-fish diet with tryptophan, histidine, tyrosine, phenylalanine, cystine, lysine or combination of all showed no significant decrease in the incidence of cataract. Fortification of diet with vitamins, A, D, E, B(12) or niacin did not alleviate the problem. Mineral analysis of the white fish and herring meals revealed significantly lower content of Fe, Zn, Se and Mn and a higher content of Ca and P for the white-fish, as compared to herring meal. Incorporation of commercially available mineral mix (protein-mineral chelates) into the white fish diet at 5-10% levels abolished the incidence of cataract and reduced the mortality by 90%. The ratio of calcium to available phosphate was found to be approximately 1.5 times higher for white-fish diet as compared to herring. Inclusion of additional phosphate into the white-fish diet to produce a Ca/P ratio close that of herring diet, reduced the incidence of cataract to 1%. The Na-K ATPase activity of cataractous lens was decreased by about 50%, as compared to normal lens. Fortification of white-fish diet with the mineral mix caused an increase of Na-KATPase activity to 84% of the normal diet.

**PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12**

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN SALT MARSH AND ESTUARINE ANIMAL COMMUNITIES AND ENERGY EXCHANGE**

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Proj. No.: FLAX-PW-0002-4232-1 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 21 APR 78 To 20 APR 88

**OBJECTIVES:** Conclude the study of benthic and pelagic animals in St. Marks estuary. Assess metabolic requirements of estuarine and marsh animals. Determine caloric values of marsh and estuarine animals and plants. Initiate study of seasonal composition of estuarine and inshore plankton.

**APPROACH:** A Lenthic dredge will be used to sample a known volume of sediments, and a 14-ft balloon trawl for collecting nektonic and benthic species. The rate of oxygen uptake of young and mature specimens of invertebrates and fish will be determined in a static system in 2-hr experiments. Caloric values of dried specimens of plants, invertebrates and fish will be determined in a Parr Oxygen Bomb Calorimeter using standard procedure. A No. 3 net and a No. 20 net will be used to sample phyto- and zooplankton in the estuary and in inshore waters. After taking the settling volumes qualitative analysis of the species will be carried out in the laboratory.

**PROGRESS:** 77/10 TO 79/09. The study of the infaunal invertebrates and fish of St. Marks River estuary and shallow inshore was continued and completed. The soils of the same localities contained 80 to 92% sand, 2 to 1% clay, and 0.2 to 2% organic matter. The density of invertebrates was higher than in marsh, and amphipods were more abundant. Fish numbers declined from about 80-2000/catch at inshore station to 5-10/catch at river station. Black bass and spinbox fish were common in trawl samples. Estuarine fish, such as *Leiostomus xanthurus*, *Anchoa*, flounders and blue crabs and shrimps enter marshes as juveniles. The fish production was estimated at 1.68 g/m<sup>2</sup>/yr at St. Marks and 3.13 g/m<sup>2</sup>/yr at Wakulla. Fish catch in Florida amounts to 18 million dollars per hour. A Master's Thesis was developed on the economic value of salt marshes, and an estimate of 56 to 69 dollars per acre was arrived at based upon blue crab fishery. The distribution patterns of invertebrates show that *Cyathura* is ubiquitous, certain polychaetes are restricted to either marsh zones or tidal creeks, and molluscs such as *Polymesoda* are restricted to marsh zones. Among fishes killifishes occur more abundantly in marsh creeks than in estuaries. Energy exchange between estuaries and marshes in via tidal creeks. Preliminary experiments on metabolic needs of fish species indicate that migratory fish species need basically more oxygen per gm of body weight than resident fish, and both types are metabolically dependent on external oxygen.

#### **PUBLICATIONS: 77/10 TO 79/09**

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**ECOLOGY OF SALT MARSHES IN RELATION TO ESTUARIES AND ENERGY FLOW**

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Proj. No.: FIAX79004 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Study community structure and seasonal variations in marsh and estuaries; study breeding cycles of individual species; study nutritional needs of species in terms of caloric intake study energy utilization of species in terms of oxygen consumption; determine the energy content of species in terms of caloric values and study activity patterns in field and laboratory to understand movements of species.

**APPROACH:** Collect animals with trawl, plankton nets, corer and grabs. Sort and identify species. Follow the seasonal distribution of larvae in plankton to assess breeding patterns. Conduct feeding experiments in laboratory, and evaluate food intake and assimilation. Study the oxygen consumption rates by continuous flow techniques, and determine diurnal and tidal rhythms of metabolism by 24-hr experiments. Burn the organisms in Oxygen bomb calorimeter and determine caloric values. Tag fish species in field and follow movements by recapture. Release tagged fish in enclosures and follow activity. Perform laboratory experiments.

**PROGRESS:** 79/09 TO 80/09. The abundance patterns of fish and invertebrates in St. Marks coastal estuarine-marsh system were summarized in a published paper. Preliminary experiments on the metabolism of estuarine fish showed that the two resident species, *Fundulus grandis* and *F. similis* consumed 0.036 - 0.047 mlO<sub>2</sub>/gm/hr, which was lower than 0.071 - 0.112 mlO<sub>2</sub>/gm/hr consumed by the migratory species *Leiostomus xanthurus* and *Lagodon rhomboides*. All the four species showed metabolism dependent on ambient oxygen tension in the range of 20 - 90 mmHg. Plankton collections and water quality study in St. Marks estuary and Apalachee Bay were started in April 1979 and will be completed in May 1981. Differences between surface and bottom salinity in one tidal cycle were as high as 5-8 p.p.t., but between surface and bottom oxygen (0.5-1.0 ml/l) and temperature (1-2 degrees C) were negligible. Summer temperatures were higher in contrast to salinities because of rainfall. Plankton volume varied from 5ml/tow (8 minutes) to 300 ml/tow between cool and warm months. Phytoplankton maxima were observed in fall and early winter, and zooplankton peaks in late spring and late summer. When stations are compared, Apalachee Bay stations generally showed larger volume of plankton, and mesohaline estuarine stations showed less. Crustacean larvae such as crab zoea and megalopa, penaeid postlarvae, and fish larvae were abundant from spring through fall.

#### **PUBLICATIONS: 79/09 TO 80/08**

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**UTILIZATION OF KRAFT MILL EFFLUENT FOR FISH PRODUCTION**

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01671 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 06 FEB 74 To 30 JUN 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the suitability of secondarily treated kraft effluent for fish growth and production. Establish the feasibility of utilizing pulp mill effluent as a medium for fish production systems. Determine the effects of intensive fish culture on the environmental quality of effluent waters.

**APPROACH:** Field and laboratory studies will be conducted to determine the effects of kraft mill effluent on warm water fish populations. An effluent channel coming from four oxidation ponds at the Hudson Pulp and Paper Corporation Secondary Wastewater Facility will be surveyed for biological and chemical parameters. Studies pertaining to the influence of kraft effluents on fish growth, movement, distribution, food consumption, and food preference will be conducted in the effluent channel. Measurements obtained from populations inhabiting the channel will be compared to those obtained from naturally occurring populations. Fish will be contained within cages in order that growth and other measurements can be obtained from known individuals. This study should provide information as to the fitness of kraft effluents for warm water fish production.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/06. Terminated 30 Jun 1979.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/01 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS**



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Proj. No.: GEO00254 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CS&S Period: 05 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and  
management systems for freshwater animals cultured  
for food. Nutrition; culture systems.

APPROACH: Studies will be conducted to determine  
protein, amino acid, energy, vitamin and mineral  
requirements of catfish and relate these requirements  
to environmental and cultural conditions and  
least-cost feed formulations. Polyculture studies  
will be conducted with species which can utilize  
effluent waste products from catfish tanks.

PROGRESS: 76/09 TO 78/12. Studies were conducted on  
the dietary protein, lipid, carbohydrate, thiamin,  
riboflavin, niacin, pyridoxine pantothenic acid,  
vitamin D, vitamin E, vitamin C, potassium and copper  
requirements of catfish and culture techniques for  
catfish, bait minnows, goldfish *Macrobachium* shrimp  
and American shad. Results indicated free amino acids  
and simple sugar were poorly utilized by channel  
catfish. High dietary levels of linoleic acid (4% of  
diet) had a growth depressing effect when compared to  
saturated fats. Studies were conducted on the  
relative values of various animal and plant protein  
sources in catfish diets. Cultural techniques and  
diets were tested for rearing American shad from egg  
to sub-adult size

PUBLICATIONS: 76/09 TO 78/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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ENTOMOLOGY-FISHERIES; GEORGIA COASTAL PLAIN EXPT STA,  
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Proj. No.: GEO00283 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CS&S Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and Improve Production and  
Management Systems for Freshwater Animals Cultured  
for Food. Nutrition. Water Quality. Diseases. Culture  
Systems. Evaluate the Economics of Production,  
Processing and Marketing of Freshwater Food Animals.

APPROACH: Practical diets for channel catfish and  
rainbow trout will be tested in raceways. Water  
quality in raceways will be monitored and removal of  
wastes investigated. Diseases and parasites problems  
associated with intensive cultures will be identified  
and treated. The double-crop concept of using CC in  
summer and RT in winter in raceways will be  
continued. Polyculture for increased production  
through wastes utilization will be evaluated.  
Complete costs and returns analyses will be developed  
for different levels of production and management.

PROGRESS: 76/09 TO 78/12. Research has been completed  
with a flowing water system for double-crop fish  
production in a closed system of raceways. Each  
raceway segment, ca. 30 m long by 4.5 m wide, was  
stocked with 3,000 rainbow trout (November - March)  
and 2,500 channel catfish (April - October) per  
segment and produced over 3/4 lb. and 1 lb. of trout  
and catfish, respectively, each year. Water  
temperatures for 20 or more days under 4°C reduced  
trout production significantly. Multiple harvesting  
of catfish resulted in higher net production of fish  
per raceway segment. Feed conversion for multiple  
harvested/stocked fish was 1.3:1; whereas, once  
harvested fish had a conversion of 1.5:1. Feed  
conversion ratios were higher for catfish fed a  
sinking feed than for those fed a floating feed. To  
facilitate management of waste products in raceways,  
tilapia were stocked with catfish at 50 and 100  
half-pound tilapia. Although they increased in weight  
from 1/2 pound to 1.1 pounds per fish, the tilapia  
did not reproduce.

PUBLICATIONS: 76/09 TO 78/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

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NITROGEN METABOLISM OF FRESHWATER PRAWNS IN RELATION  
TO DIET

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Proj. No.: GUA00023 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CS&S Period: 28 FEB 78 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determination of the assimilation  
efficiency of *Macrobachium rosenbergii* and *M. lar.* in  
relation to diet. Determine the relationships between  
growth, nitrogen excretion and dietary protein.  
Determine if growth performance can be predicted by  
an examination of nitrogen metabolism in relation to  
diet.

APPROACH: Egestion, excretion, growth and molting  
will be monitored in relation to dietary nitrogen  
content. Nitrogen and caloric values will be  
determined for specific diets, fecal wastes,  
individual prawns, and shed exuvia. Nitrogen and  
caloric budgets be constructed for young prawns on  
selected dietary regimes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies of the freshwater  
prawn *Macrobachium* lar focused on the relation  
between the rate of ammonia excretion and body weight  
as influenced by recent feeding history. The diets  
used for these studies ranged from 2 to 14% nitrogen.  
The rate of ammonia excretion per gram is a function  
of a power of the body weight. This power ranged from  
-0.3 to -0.8 for groups of 20 to 30 prawns which were  
fed one of 6 experimental diets, although the  
relation between excretion rate and body weight was  
influenced by the diet. This influence was not  
correlated with the nitrogen content of the diet.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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the University of Guam agricultural Experiment  
Station, 12 pp.

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STUDY OF MANURE-ENRICHED FOOD WEBS IN MARINE POND  
ECOSYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: HAW00535-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 28 SEP 79 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Obtain analytical data on the physical,  
chemical, nutrient, and trophic cycles of  
manure-enriched, marine ponds. Develop  
pond-management techniques for working with  
manure-enriched, marine ponds. Evaluate the economic  
potential of using manure-enriched food webs for  
application to a marine-shrimp-production industry.

APPROACH: Growth of *Panaeus stylirostris* will be  
measured in 0.1 acre marine ponds fertilized with  
standard feed and varying amounts of ground cow  
manure as the experimental treatments. Levels of  
major nutrients and the species composition of  
bacterial phytoplankton and zooplankton will be  
determined in the marine environment and correlated  
with shrimp growth. These data will be interpreted to  
ascertain what trophic levels are the optimal  
contributing to shrimp growth and utilization of cow  
manure for shrimp production in manure aquaculture  
industries.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The study of  
manure-enriched ponds is directed toward improving  
the economics of shrimp production by reducing feed  
costs. The immediate objectives are 1) obtain  
analytical data for the salient physico-chemical,  
nutrient and trophic cycles resulting from manure  
enrichment of ponds, and by that information; 2)  
acquire insights into prudent pond management

practices of strategies for working with manure-enriched ponds; 3) evaluate the biological benefits acquired by a valuable marine culture organisms exploiting the manure-enriched food web; and 4) develop data that can be used to evaluate the potential of using cow manure to improve the economics of shrimp production. Results to date imply that levels of shrimp biomass increase with levels of manure addition. By comparison to ponds which used commercial formulated feeds, manure-enriched ponds did as well or better. However, these preliminary results require further replication, as the number of replicates to date are still too few. Data have accumulated on the physico-chemical and nutrient changes in ponds through two series of pond trials. At the same time, a water quality laboratory has been developed to refine the procedures and methods of analysis. Results thus far have shown considerable ranges to exist in dissolved oxygen, temperature, pH, rainfall and water exchange rates; and both long- and short-term effects of these extremes on shrimp growth need to be further evaluated through laboratory experiments.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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MANURE-ENRICHED FOOD WEBS IN MARINE POND ECOSYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: 5090-20284-007-A(1) Project Type:  
COOPERATIVE AGREE.  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 28 SEP 79 TO 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Obtain analytical data on the physical, chemical, nutrient, and trophic cycles of manure-enriched, marine ponds. Develop pond & aquatic vegetation management techniques for working with manure-enriched, marine ponds. Evaluate the economic potential of using manure-enriched food webs for application to a marine-shrimp-production industry.

APPROACH: Growth of *Penaeus stylirostris* will be measured in 0.1 acre marine ponds fertilized with standard feed and varying amounts of ground cow manure as the experimental treatments. Levels of major nutrients and the species composition of bacterial phytoplankton and zooplankton will be determined in the marine environment and correlated with shrimp growth. These data will be interpreted to ascertain what trophic levels are the optimal contributing to shrimp growth and utilization of cow manure for shrimp production in manure aquaculture industries.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. After conditioning of newly constructed shrimp culture ponds, each was stocked on 13 June with 2,100 *P. stylirostris* (30,000 per acre). Manure was applied two weeks prior to stocking at 0, 2,500, 5,000 and 10,000 lbs. per acre or with standard commercial feed. Sampling included ammonia, nitrate, phosphate, pH, pO<sub>2</sub>, chlorophyll, ASP, and temperature. Shrimp were sampled weekly to measure growth rate. Ponds were harvested July 21. Production was highest in manure-enriched pond (10,000 lb/acre) (9 kg); control produced 4.5 kg. Large variations in PC(4), NO(2), NH(3), and pH occurred during the culture. A second stocking was made 7 December at the same rate of manure, and will be harvested in early March 1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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WEIGHT GAIN OF FISH

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Proj. No.: IIA-CFU-0058 Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUL 78 TO 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Define and test a method whereby weight gain of rainbow trout may be accurately estimated.

APPROACH: First-feeding rainbow trout fry will be raised through adulthood under closely controlled conditions. The evaluative parameters include weight gain, length gain, feeding rate, dietary composition, water temperature, oxygen availability, and population density. The fish will be fed at a programmed rate and the effects will be measured at biweekly intervals.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This study was designed to develop a computerized model to predict the growth rate of salmonids in hatchery settings. The input data were water temperature, dissolved oxygen, proximate analysis of the diet, water inflow, ammonia-N generation, and solids generation. The model was developed and tested under laboratory conditions using rainbow trout. The results were very encouraging. When the model was field tested, the results were very encouraging. The model proved so sensitive that small percentage changes in weight gain were easily detected. From the application of the model under field conditions we were able to establish a statistic which we term 'allowable growth rate' based upon weight gain rather than length gain. Work is continuing on another project to incorporate the data and models acquired from this study.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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005.019 CRIS0079933  
TRACE MINERAL IMBALANCE IN HATCHERY FISH

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Proj. No.: IDA00778-B Project Type: ANIMAL  
HEALTH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 12 OCT 79 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Establish basic criteria for diagnosis of trace-mineral disorders in chinook salmon, steelhead and hatchery rainbow trout; determine whether there is a relationship between health problems found in individual hatcheries and mineral contents of fish tissues; accumulate and evaluate information of physiological and chemical parameters associated with different mineral levels, and establish normal and abnormal levels of trace minerals in fish blood and tissue by species and age groups.

APPROACH: The fish will be sampled and shipped frozen to the laboratory at regular intervals from 8 hatcheries. All samples will be analyzed for trace mineral content and levels of several metabolic products and enzymes. Results will be related to existing health problem in hatcheries.

005.020\* CRIS0069239  
BREEDING, PRODUCTION, NUTRITION AND MARKETING OF  
CHANNEL CATFISH

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Proj. No.: KAN00902 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 75 TO 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Obtain quantitative data on the growth rates of selective strains of channel catfish and the reaction of selected strains to different dietary formulations. Identify interaction of growth rates, diets and pond water quality degradation. Quantify water quality parameters associated with pond degradation and develop methods of maintaining water quality. Develop methods for product storage and flavor quality.



APPROACH: Earthen ponds will be used to replicated experiments to test diets against four strains of channel catfish. Growth rates will be used to compare the effect of diet on strain performance and for between-strain performance using a factorial arrangement of treatments. Full and half sib analysis will be used to compare within-strain performance. Dietary treatments will include evaluation of protein quality and quantity. Effect of diets with different nutrient densities involving nutrients such as vitamins and minerals will be evaluated in relationship to protein levels.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/06. Ponds treated with cobalt chloride as a trace component of fertilizer were not found to produce more channel catfish than control ponds. Cobalt chloride was added to the diet of channel catfish to determine if vitamin B(12) could be spared by the addition of this trace mineral. No significant difference was recorded in growth rates of fish receiving normal amounts of B(12) and those fish receiving cobalt in place of B(12) in purified diets. Significant differences were found in serum proteins between three of five populations of catfish. Additional differences in these populations were found in serum esterase patterns. It was concluded that the population of channel catfish in the White River, Arkansas and the Blue River, Kansas, were different from each other and from the other three populations examined. A domestic population from Arkansas, a domestic population from Kansas and wild population in the Kansas River, Kansas.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/06

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005.021 CRIS0079383  
DEVELOPMENT OF OPTIMUM SUSTAINED YIELD OF FISHES IN  
FARM PONDS

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Proj. No.: KAN00118

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 79 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop and manage methods to achieve a higher usable yield of largemouth bass and bluegill by evaluating the protected range size limit and total weight limit as a method to prevent over-harvest of bass and maintain high quality bass yield, testing different levels of bluegill harvest to determine the level which will yield the optimum size structure. Develop low level supplemental feeding programs which will yield desired amounts of channel catfish at minimum cost.

APPROACH: Farm ponds with populations of largemouth bass and bluegill will be used. The bass harvest will be regulated by following a 30 cm to 38 cm protected range size limit along with a 22 kg/ha/yr weight limit. Bluegill will be harvested at three levels: 11, 34, and 80 kg/ha/yr. Results will be evaluated by the size structure of fish harvested, population structure of fish in pond (by electrofishing), reproductive success. Some ponds will be stocked only with channel catfish at a rate of 250/ha plus the number of one pound fish desired by the pond owners. They will be fed at amount 3% of body wt/day. Feed adjustments will be made based on calculated growth. The quota by number will be harvested each year and intermediate replacements stocked. Evaluated by size of fish harvested, cost/pound of fish harvested.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. One phase of this project deals with evaluating the population structure of largemouth bass and bluegill in nine ponds subjected to three different levels of bluegill harvest. The bass harvest was the same level in all ponds. The study was initiated during the Summer of 1979 so only the ponds with old established populations were harvested. All fish harvested were measured to determine size structure of the catch. Also the pond populations were sampled and the size structure determined. It is too early in the study to present results. The other phase of the project involves low level supplemental feeding of channel catfish in six additional ponds. Three harvest goals were set (100, 150, and 200 fish per pond). Calculated amounts of

feed were fed three times per week. The harvest goals were not quite reached in the ponds. The fish harvested in most ponds averaged over one pound each. The feed conversion (wt. fed/net wt. harvested) ranged from 1.27 to 2.39.

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005.022 CRIS0072940  
FORMULATION OF FOODS FOR AQUATIC ANIMALS OF ECONOMIC  
IMPORTANCE

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Proj. No.: LAB01918

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUN 77 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Formulation of nutritionally-balanced diets for various stages of shrimp and prawn growth, especially for larval and juvenile development. Included will be species of marine shrimp (*Penaeus*), freshwater prawn (*Macrobrachium*) and crawfish (*Procambarus*). Use of agricultural and fisheries wastes or byproducts in least-cost grow-out rations for crustacean aquaculture.

APPROACH: Diets and formulations developed and prepared in the Department of Food Science will be tested in cooperative on-going programs with aquaculturists at various sites in this country. Projected areas of continued investigation will include analyses of attractants in diets to enhance chemoreceptor response, studies of modified starches and waterstability of flake/extruded diets, microbial degradation of cellulosic-fiber substrates and diet development for protein-deficient areas, effect of diet on organoleptic qualities of the cultivated animal crop, and transfer of dietary carotenoid pigment to internal/external parts of the fish or crustacea.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Application of the tropical fish *Trichogaster leerii* as an assay animal for evaluation of carotenoids and carotenoid-containing dietary ingredients has been demonstrated. Methods of analyses for measurement of fin and integument sites of accumulation of the main repository pigment have been developed and are being used to assay astaxanthin-rich substrates, such as crawfish wastes, and isolated pigments in flake and extruded formulations for aquatic animals. Oregon Moist Pellet (OMP) diets, fortified with 20% crawfish waste puree, have yielded significant flesh coloration of rainbow trout as well as coho salmon. Binders used as water stability agents in larval bullfrog (*Rana catesbeiana*) diets have been evaluated in terms of growth and food conversion as well as features of the hydrocolloids themselves. Levels of solids present and features of the dietary ingredients are related to binder performance. The wide application of alginate products is noted in flake and extruded dietary preparations where loss of water-soluble components is critical. A variety of gums have been tested as binding-matrix agents for adult bullfrogs. Moist and semi-moist dietary preparations have been shown to possess desirable binding characteristics and water stabilities for as long as 24 hours. Feeding tests have produced useful information on the feeding response and behavior of bullfrogs.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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UTILIZATION OF AQUATIC PLANTS FOR WASTE TREATMENT AND ANIMAL FEEDS

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Proj. No.: LAB0155E Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 FEB 71 To 15 MAR 80

OBJECTIVES: To determine the feasibility of utilizing aquatic plants for treatment of agricultural and domestic waste by removing nitrogen compounds, phosphates, and various inorganic salts. To determine if plants grown on waste waters have sufficient nutrient value and can be produced in large enough quantities to warrant use as a feed supplement for poultry, swine, cattle, catfish, etc.

APPROACH: Nutrient value will be determined for various aquatic plants growing under natural conditions. Plants of acceptable nutrient levels will be fed to poultry, swine, catfish, etc. to check for toxic as well as growth responses. Plants that show no signs of toxicity will be placed on water containing agricultural and domestic sewage to see if they will grow. Nutrient analysis will be made for any plants that do grow, and the plants will again be fed to domestic animals (5-10% of regular rations), to determine if the plants are usable as a food supplement. Water quality changes will be recorded and related to the usefulness of aquatic plants to reduce pollution levels in waste waters.

PROGRESS: 71/02 TO 80/03. Clones of duckweed *Spirodela polyrrhiza*, *S. punctata*, *Lemna gibba* and *Wolffia columbiana* cultured on dairy waste lagoons gave a mean yield of 23,310 kg/ha/yr dry weight when harvested daily, or 2.3 kg/m<sup>2</sup>/yr. Maximum yields obtained outdoors in .14 m<sup>2</sup> tanks was 44,330 kg/ha (4.4m<sup>2</sup>/yr) dry wt. Daily harvests (25-35% removed/day) gave higher yields than weekly harvests (50% removal). Optimum standing crop density was about 500g/m<sup>2</sup>. Loading rates of fresh manure 10 to 20g/l of water gave maximum growth and highest proximate analysis in the plants. Mixed duckweed cultures gave higher yields than monocultures due to seasonality of growth. Crude protein averaged 38% dry wt. with a maximum value of over 44%; fats 3-6%, NFE 25-35%, fiber 7-13%, P 2%, K 2.5-5%, Ca 1-2%. The amino acid content was equal or superior to most high protein crops. Annual removal (kg/ha) of plant nutrients by duckweed from waste lagoons was: N, 137g; P, 347; K, 441. Removal efficiency was greater in shallow lagoons. 5.3 ha of duckweed would provide total protein requirements of 200 lactating cows. Preliminary studies on feeding cows (up to 75% of diet) and swine (up to 25% of diet) showed no adverse effects of duckweed, wet or dry. Feeding of poultry broilers and layers showed no adverse effects, equal or improved growth, meat and egg color, and egg production and quality. In vitro digestibility ranged from 70 to 97%.

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005.024\* CRIS0083515  
LABORATORY CULTURE FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES OF ESTUARINE AND MARINE LOBSTERS, CRABS AND SHRIMPS

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Proj. No.: LAB02159 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 81 To 30 JUN 86

OBJECTIVES: Rear decapod larvae (lobsters, crabs and shrimps) of as many Louisiana species as possible, from egg through postlarval stages under defined laboratory conditions. Describe and illustrate the developmental stages of each species reared. Compare laboratory reared larvae with corresponding larvae taken in the plankton.

APPROACH: Egg-bearing crabs and shrimps will be collected at coast-wide Louisiana sites. In the laboratory most specimens will be isolated in aquaria under simulated field conditions until eggs hatch; for large species eggs will be removed and hatched in vitro. Rearing procedures will allow the developmental sequence of each larva to be traced; this will entail isolating individual larvae within plastic tray compartments and examining each daily for evidence of molting. Enough larvae will be reared to investigate three salinity/temperature combinations with replication. Daily data on survival, molting, behavior and morphology will be recorded. Larvae will be transferred to compartments with clean water and fresh food (*Artemia* nauplii) each day. Detailed descriptions and drawings of each developmental stage will be made. Comparative descriptions of closely related species will be made to elucidate difference. Laboratory-reared specimens will be compared with plankton-caught larvae in order to develop diagnostic guides for fishery researchers.

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ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS ON PRODUCTIVITY OF CRAYFISH IN POND HABITATS, PHASE I, II

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Proj. No.: LA-X-PR-0001-8-15-66

Agency ID: CSRS Project Type: GRANT  
Period: 29 OCT 74 To 28 OCT 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the type and amount of food that will yield the best production. Determine the most efficient harvesting method in small ponds. Investigate an early and extended crayfish season in small ponds.

APPROACH: Literature and cooperating personnel will supplement our selection of food types and amount during the feeding season. Standard nets, seines, modified traps and nets will be used. The possible use of chemicals and electric devices will be investigated. Systematic regulation of water will be maintained, to determine the possibility of increase and decrease of water level on an extended season. Statistical analysis will be made.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Feeding: Data obtained from the crayfish project indicated that feeding and fertilizing had great impact on productivity. Feed with a high protein percentage favored productivity, consequently, fish pellets are highly recommended in the feeding regimen. Harvesting: Four different traps were constructed and placed in water depth of 120, 90, 60 and 30 cm respectively. The total weight of each catch per trap was recorded. On the basis of results obtained, Type I trap with 1.5cm mesh wire construction, barrel shape design, 70cm long, 30cm wide with two funnel openings at the bottom is recommended for utilization from January through June. Dual Crop of Crayfish and Fish: 205 fingerlings of hybrid buffalo fish were added to each of the two crayfish ponds. Rice was planted in each pond. None of the fish reached market size over this phase of the investigation but the preliminary results indicate that it is feasible to rear crayfish and these fish in the same pond. Cost Yield Ratio: Based



upon average crayfish price, net profits of \$5.82 in Pond I and \$338.83 in Pond II were realized, thereby indicating the feasibility of commercial crayfish production under small pond conditions.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

NC PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

005.026\* CRIS0080671  
NUTRITION MANAGEMENT AND DISEASE OF MARINE ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ME08398 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Formulate and evaluate minimal cost lobster rations, study gaffkemia in lobsters including vaccine evaluation and study lobster pound management. Compounded lobster baits will also be evaluated.

APPROACH: Lobsters will be fed diets of various types and growth will be monitored by measuring weight in water and weight in air. Lobsters will be vaccinated with live bacteria so that survival can be measured.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Practical diets formulated with brewer's yeast, fish meal, kelp meal, alfalfa and wheat flour were fed to adult and juvenile lobsters. The basal diet was supplemented with 20,000, 100,000 and 1,000,000 U.S.P. units of vitamin A per Kg of diet. Growth was greatest in lobsters fed 20,000 U.S.P. units of vitamin A per Kg with growth inhibition seen in lobsters fed the higher level supplements. Adult lobsters were injected with P 3 2 labelled aerococcus viridans, a fatal lobster pathogen, and the distribution of these bacteria in the animal's body was monitored. The bacteria were primarily phagocytized by the hepatopancreas.

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005.027\* CRIS0083163  
BIOSYNTHESIS OF STEROLS IN THE OYSTER AND CORRELATION OF STEROL COMPOSITION TO OYSTER PRODUCTIVITY

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Proj. No.: MD-J-114 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JAN 81 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Data from several sources indicate that oysters synthesize only a fraction of their total sterol. Analysis of fast growing oysters from Cape Hatteras indicates that the Chesapeake Bay oyster could, in some cases, be deficient in total sterol composition. Inadequate algae or the wrong kind of algae in the diet could cause this deficiency. The extent of sterol biosynthesis in the oyster will be determined. Oysters from different bars with different degrees of success will be compared with respect to their sterol content. "Good food" algae

will also be examined to determine which sterols they contribute to the oyster's diet.

APPROACH: Oyster samples will be analyzed by standard methods for sterol composition. These samples will be taken from oyster bars showing a great diversity of characteristics with respect to growth rate, spat set, shell growth, and general health of the oyster. An attempt will be made to correlate sterol composition with these characteristics. To determine if the oyster can synthesize sterols, oyster tissue cultures will be incubated with labeled acetate and the sterols isolated and examined. Algae will be examined for sterol composition to determine if sterols correlate with the desirability of certain algae as oyster food.

005.028\* CRIS0075003  
BEHAVIOR ECOLOGY AND RHYTHMICITY IN THE ROCK CRABS, CANCER IRROBATUS AND CANCER BOREALIS, PHASE II

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Proj. No.: MDX-PR-0001-URP53 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 27 FEB 78 To 26 FEB 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine influence of tidal and/or geophysical rhythms or activity of rock crabs. Determine relative influences of photophase & scotophase on molting of rock crabs. Determine effect of short & long day photoperiods on growth, molting & reproduction. Record seasonal distribution of age classes, sexes & molt stage individuals. Develop optimum diet for growth & maintenance & develop a delivery system for diet.

APPROACH: Encourage local utilization of rock crab as an alternate or supplement to blue crab. Correlate observed activity rhythms with tidal, barometric, humidity, magnetic flux cycles. Varying length & proportions of light & dark periods to determine influence on molting. Utilizing less than or greater than 24 hour days in laboratory environment. Utilizing tag and recapture studies at monthly intervals aboard a coastal vessel. Automated system for delivery of optimum protein, fiber & mineral content of presently used nutritional pellets will be developed. Interviews, free samples & information on location & abundance of rock crabs might increase local utilization of rock crab meat.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Previous work (Webach, 1977, and in preparation) indicates that length of photoperiod and light: dark ratios are controlling factors in courtship, reproduction and molting of the rock crab, Cancer irroratus. The newly opened Crab Lab, a converted 70 foot house trailer, has a water treatment facility and 5 laboratories with running seawater and computer-controlled photoperiods. Tanks and electronic instrumentation have been designed, constructed and tested to allow the test animal to select the duration of light and dark in one laboratory. Total hours of light and dark and light: dark ratios are monitored. Another laboratory allows the animal to control the intensity of illumination. In 1980, after correcting many problems and improving the water delivery and treatment facilities (to produce adequate flow rates to maintain the animals), we were able to introduce our first group of animals. Pilot studies led to further refinement of light control mechanisms in the test tanks. These studies indicated that the animals were able to control the photoperiod and intensity in their respective laboratories. We are now ready to initiate full-scale testing. In order to determine the locations of marketable numbers of animals, a tag-recapture program is planned. However, spaghetti tags injected into the crabs' muscle resulted in a 40% mortality rate in the laboratory. This level is too high for a successful tag and recapture program.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

**RECYCLING WASTES INTO ANIMAL FEEDS**

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 Proj. No.: MICL03146 Project Type: STATE  
 Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 74 To 19 FEB 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Combine dried animal wastes (e.g., poultry wastes) and items from local wastewater ponds into a pellet acceptable for various high yield, low cost fish species grown under intensive culture conditions.

**APPROACH:** Microplankton and macrophytes will be mechanically harvested from MSU wastewater ponds. Analyses will be made on these and farm animal wastes for components important in fish diets. These products will be processed and combined to form fishfood pellets. Northern climate fishes with potential for high production at low cost will be fed standard commercial diets and experimental pellets. Growth rates, food conversion rates and fish production will be compared, resulting in maximum dietary use of farm animal wastes and biological production from wastewater ponds.

**PROGRESS:** 74/03 TO 81/02. Rainbow trout grew well on diets formulated from aquatic plants, crustaceans and poultry wastes. Carp growth on this diet was inversely related to quantities of poultry waste. Water quality in a terminal wastewater lake maintained exceptional growth rates for forage and recreational fish without accumulation of harmful levels of toxic materials in fish. The growth of cage-reared channel catfish was significantly impaired by high pH and ammonia concentrations in a terminal wastewater pond.

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**FARM FISH POND MANAGEMENT**

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 Proj. No.: MICL00064 Project Type: HATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 22 JUL 44 To 01 JAN 99

**OBJECTIVES:** Estimate production of plants and animals per unit area or volume of water in farm type ponds, and natural ponds. Determine extent fertilization of ponds will increase production of fish food (plankton, insects) and fish. Devise practical management programs for farm ponds; this includes the number of fish to plant and harvest. Detect and measure possible detrimental effects of use of fertilizers in fish ponds.

**APPROACH:** Measurement release of stored nutrients in the subaqueous soils by addition of chelating (EDTA, etc.) materials to the waters. Tracing the paths of nutrients added to the waters through tagging nutrients with radioactive tracers ( $F^{32}$ ), rates of fixation of nutrients and accumulation of organic material (basic productivity) will be measured by the

$C^{14}$  light-and-dark bottle technic. Input of solar radiation will be measured.

**PROGRESS:** 44/07 TO 79/10. The research has contributed significantly to the management techniques of fish ponds in northern, midwestern areas of the United States. These techniques relate to the stocking densities of fish, the species of fish suitable, fertilization rates for ponds and fish and fish food relationships. Northern ponds must be stocked and fertilized differently than southern ponds in many aspects. Competition among sport versus rough fish in ponds results in reduced growth rates of sport fish when ponds are fertilized. This results apparently from lower dissolved oxygen levels in fertilized ponds. Raising of catfish in Michigan for sale is successful when starting the season with advanced fingerlings.

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**CHANNEL CATFISH NUTRITION**

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 Proj. No.: MIS-0818 Project Type: HATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 CCT 76 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the dietary requirements and interaction for each of the essential amino acids in fingerling channel catfish. In addition, studies will be conducted on the digestion, absorption and metabolism of proteins, amino acids and carbohydrates.

**APPROACH:** All nutritional studies will be conducted with small 2-5 inch fingerling channel catfish in glass aquaria, reared on semi-purified diets, with at least 3 replicate groups on each test diet. The experimental diets will be formulated to be equivalent to 24% crude protein and 275 kcal/100 g diet. Casein and gelatin mixtures will be supplemented with L-amino acids to provide the amino acid pattern in 24% whole egg protein. The procedure for diet preparation and storage has already been established in our laboratory and proven satisfactory for the last years. The digestion, absorption and metabolism studies will be conducted by established methods. Preliminary studies in our laboratory have been successful in measuring certain of these parameters.

**PROGRESS:** 76/10 TO 80/09. A series of growth studies have been completed in order to quantitate the amino acid requirements for fingerling channel catfish. The minimal requirements for the ten essential amino acids expressed as a percentage of dietary protein are as follows: arginine 4.3; histidine 1.5; isoleucine 2.6; leucine 3.5; lysine 5.1; methionine 2.3; phenylalanine 5.0; threonine 2.3; tryptophan 0.5; and valine 3.0. Additional studies have indicated the following: cystine can replace about 60% of the methionine on a mole sulfur basis; DL-methionine was utilized as effectively as L-methionine; methionine hydroxy analogue was only 26% as effective as L-methionine; taugine or inorganic sulfate did not replace any of the L-methionine; tyrosine can replace about 50% of phenylalanine; excess tyrosine (up to 10% of diet) was not toxic to the fish; and no apparent arginine-lysine could be demonstrated.



Lysine was found to be the first limiting amino acid in most feedstuffs used in commercial catfish feeds. Growth and feed efficiency data from studies using peanut meal diets supplemented with feed grade lysine demonstrated that fingerling channel catfish are able to utilize free amino acids effectively in practical diets. Studies have been initiated to determine the amino acid availability values for several common feed ingredients. These data should assist various researchers in formulating various experimental test diets and assist the catfish industry in formulating least cost rations for catfish.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 76/10 TO 80/09

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#### 005.032 CRIS0045643 EVALUATION OF BY-PRODUCTS FROM CATFISH PROCESSING WASTE FOR CATFISH FEED SUPPLEMENTS

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Proj. No.: 7003-20530-004-A Project Type: COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 07 SEP 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate nutritional value for channel catfish fingerlings of concentrated protein, bone meal and oil by-products made from catfish processing waste; recommend practical catfish feed formulations based on optimum use of these by products.

APPROACH: Determine protein efficiency ratio, protein digestibility and amino acid availability in aquaria studies with channel catfish fingerlings fed several concentrated protein by-products made from catfish processing wastes (heads, viscera and skins) in isonitrogenous, isocaloric semi-purified diets. Evaluate possible adverse effects of added catfish oil and/or bone meal prepared from catfish processing waste. Incorporate acceptable by-products into practical commercial-type catfish feeds and evaluate in aquaria feeding tests.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This is a specific cooperative agreement between SEA and Mississippi State University to assist the catfish industry in locating suitable uses for by-products made from processing wastes. Initial fingerling feeding tests were made with four by-products as follows: silage with bones, silage without bones, catfish bone meal, and standard menhaden meal (control). Results were disappointing for the silage by-products. Digestible protein for these products was less than 30% apparently due to uncontrolled protein cleavage. Catfish fingerlings cannot utilize short-chain amino acids. Further work to define this problem has been initiated.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12 NC PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 005.033 CRIS0081712 CHANNEL CATFISH NUTRITION

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Proj. No.: MIS-0844 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Determine the protein digestibility and amino acid availability in various foodstuffs for channel catfish and test these in least cost rations. Test various foodstuffs for potential antinutritional

factors for channel catfish. Determine the mineral requirements for channel catfish. Investigate various biochemical or metabolic parameters in the catfish as they may be influenced by diet of nutritional status.

APPROACH: The digestibility and availability studies will be conducted with 1.5 to 2 pound fish held in 300 gal raceways and fed the appropriate diet containing the test feed ingredient and 0.5% chromium oxide as an inert marker. Various least-cost formulas will be generated by the computer based on various nutritional restrictions and tested in 3-4 inch triplicate groups of catfish in 29 gal aquaria. The diets will be prepared with a pelleting machine to closely mimic commercially prepared rations. Growth and digestive enzyme studies will be conducted in 29 gal aquaria with 40-50gm catfish to assess the potential of antinutritional factors in various feed ingredients. The mineral requirement studies will be conducted utilizing the same or similar experimental design that was previously used to determine the amino acid requirements.

PROGRESS: 80/09 TO 80/12. The apparent and true amino acid availability values have been determined for the following feed ingredients commonly used in catfish feeds: corn, wheat middlings, rice bran, rice mill feed, soybean meal, peanut meal, cottonseed meal, meat and bone meal and menhaden fish meal. Fingerling channel catfish appear to be more sensitive to the antinutritional factors present in soybean meal than poultry. Studies are currently being conducted to determine the adverse effects of trypsin inhibitors and flavones in soybean meal on catfish. Also, studies have been initiated to determine the dietary requirements for Mg, Mn, Zn, Fe and Cu.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/09 TO 80/12  
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#### 005.034\* CRIS0071642 FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: MIS-0819 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management system for freshwater animals cultured for food. Nutrition, genetics and breeding. Evaluate the economics of production processing and marketing of freshwater food animals. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Project is multidisciplinary with Departments of Biochemistry, Horticulture, Agricultural Economics, and Wildlife and Fisheries. Least cost rations will be tested in aquaria and one-tenth acre ponds. Genetics parameters, heritability, and genetic correlations estimated for several traits with concurrent selection program. Amino acid requirements on quantitative basis and digestibility of common feed stuffs determined for catfish. Processing methods compared for dress out yield, with standard nutritional values of catfish flesh determined.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Apparent and true amino acid availability values have been determined for the following feed ingredients commonly used in catfish feeds: corn, wheat middlings, rice bran, rice mill feed, soybean meal, peanut meal, cottonseed meal,

meat and bone meal, and menhaden fish meal. Fingerling channel catfish appear to be more sensitive to the antinutritional factors present in soybean meal than poultry. Studies are currently being conducted to determine the adverse effects of trypsin inhibitors and flavones in soybean meal on catfish. Duckweed (Family Lemnaceae) was incorporated at 15 and 20% into isocaloric diets formulated to meet or exceed nutritional requirements of channel catfish. Diets containing duckweed performed as well as the control. Cottonseed meal was incorporated into isocaloric diets at 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25% of the basal diet. Growth suppression of channel catfish was noted at the 20 and 25% cottonseed meal levels. The procedure for canning tuna-style channel catfish was refined, further data on heat-processing developed, and work was initiated on a consumer acceptance study. Selection of catfish for weight gain, gain in dress out percentage, and decreased percent fat with 25% for high selection and 25% low selection was completed. Fish will be mated at 2 years of age to decrease age at maturity. A Micro-computer program designed to provide information for Management decision-making has been developed. This system computes daily feeding rates by pond and projects feeding days to harvest.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### PRACTICAL FEED FORMULATIONS AND FEEDING PRACTICES FOR CATFISH FARMING IN MS

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Proj. No.: MIS-0852

Project Type: GRANT

Agency ID: CSFS

Period: 18 FEB 81 To 28 FEB 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the practical application of computer derived least cost ration formulations in catfish production ponds; compare experimental rations developed from the most current catfish nutrition information available to a standard commercial ration used throughout the industry; evaluate any effects of peanut meal as a feed ingredient on the shelf life of processed fish; evaluate diet formulation for winter feeding regimes in catfish production ponds.

APPROACH: Experimental rations will be formulated and compared to currently used commercial rations in both summer and winter feeding studies for channel catfish. Research will be conducted with both fingerling and market-size channel catfish cultured in 0.04/ha earthen ponds.

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#### ANALYSIS OF THE MARKET POTENTIAL FOR FRESH WATER AQUACULTURAL PRODUCTS PRODUCED IN NEVADA

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Proj. No.: NEV00270

Project Type: PATCH

Agency ID: CSFS

Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the cost and availability of byproduct food stuffs for feeding catfish and shrimp in Nevada. Estimate the demand for catfish, shrimp and plants produced in fresh warm water ponds. Estimate the marketing margins for fresh water products and estimate marketing constraints placed on fresh water products by the institutional trade.

APPROACH: Availability and costs will be estimated for byproduct feeds which prove feasible as shrimp and catfish food in a large scale pilot production study. Nevada brokerage firms, and if necessary California processing firms, will be surveyed to ascertain the possibility of marketing live shrimp. These firms will also be interviewed to determine existing marketing margins for different types of products handled by these firms. A similar procedure will be followed for catfish and freshwater plants that might be complementary to shrimp and catfish.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 80/09. Budgetary analysis of production costs of freshwater shrimp produced in 10 one-acre plots reflect a cost of \$2.23 per lb. live weight at production levels experienced in the experiment. (About 2,000 lbs. per acre.) Increased feeding levels and other management practices could possibly raise production to 3,000 lbs. or even 4,000 lbs. per acre. Production costs for these levels were estimated to be \$1.60 and \$1.31 per lb., respectively. Four marketing alternatives were considered: Whole live, whole fresh, fresh; headless and frozen headless. Processing costs for the first two alternatives were negligible, but both headless process required substantial capital investment and operating costs. Costs for processing 20,000 lbs. of live shrimp were \$7.79 for fresh headless and \$7.91 for frozen headless. Thus, at current production levels, total cost of producing fresh headless shrimp would be \$12.15 per lbs. Even doubling the production level to 40,000 lb. would only reduce the total cost per lb. of product to \$6.53--well above the current wholesale price of \$4.50. Production of live or fresh whole fresh-water shrimp does appear to be a viable pursuit for persons with a source of hot water providing they can develop a ready market for the product.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 80/09

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#### SALMON CULTURE - DEVELOPMENT OF NUTRITIONAL AND DISEASE CONTROL PROGRAMS

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Proj. No.: NH00227-S

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 SEP 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine protein level required for feeding at a constant calorie to protein ratio. Determine minimum level of fishmeal without reducing growth. Determine the critical nutrients supplied by fishmeal. Develop an effective autogenous polyvalent bacterin of *Vibrio anguillarum* that will withstand laboratory and field challenge.

APPROACH: Because basically the study involves calorie-protein ratios, initially protein levels will be studied at a constant calorie-protein ratio. Sources of protein will be investigated, particularly in an attempt to lower the quantity of fishmeal used, and to make use of cheaper protein sources. Diets will be studied in both fresh and saltwater rearing programs, and results will be evaluated primarily by growth and feed conversion. Control of vibriosis in sea water reared salmon will be attempted in 2 ways: immunization of the fish using an autogenous bacterin, and investigation of anti-biotic efficacy against *Vibrio anguillarum*. Killed bacterins will be administered parenterally or orally, and the immune response measured by challenge. Antibiotic activity,



screened initially in vitro, will be verified orally in vivo.

PROGRESS: 73/07 TO 78/09. Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*) were found to be as susceptible as coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) to Maine-New Hampshire strains of *Vibrio anguillarum* used in both injection and water transmission exposure. Exposure to  $1-2.5 \times 10^5$  organisms/ml of one strain (569) in the water for 1 hr. killed fish of both species at 10°C and 15°C. Should similar water exposure conditions occur in Maine estuaries newly released Atlantic salmon smolts may encounter lethal levels of *V. anguillarum*. The organism causing bacterial kidney disease (BKD) in salmonid fishes is a slow growing gram positive rod (perhaps genus *Corynebacterium*) on laboratory media supplemented with cysteine. However, these bacteria grow readily in rainbow trout gonad (RTG-2) cell cultures, using Eagles Minimum Essential Medium Plus 10% newborn calf serum, without antibiotics. Cultures initiated from laboratory media or diseased fish kidneys grow equally well and in six days essentially cover the cell monolayer. No valid data were obtained from the feeding experiment this year because the stock was decimated by kidney disease. This disease is not uncommon in fish culture and unfortunately there is no known cure or effective treatment. Treatment with the antibiotic terramycin and with a greatly elevated level of vitamin C (1000 mg/kg) were without effect. *Vibrio* sp. was isolated from lobsters (*Homarus americanus*) reared in captivity.

PUBLICATIONS: 73/07 TO 78/09

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INTENSIVE CULTURE OF THE WALLEYE (PERCIDAE:  
STIZOSTEDION VITREUM)

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Proj. No.: NYC-147382 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 78 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop started and production diets for walleyes based upon the nutrient content of walleye eggs and/or body tissues. Compare growth and survival of walleye fry and fingerlings fed experimental diets with growth and survival of fry and fingerlings fed live diets. Determine the combination of environmental conditions which obtains the highest survival and most rapid growth of walleye fry and fingerlings. Monitor any histological and/or chemical differences in the tissues of walleye fry and fingerlings reared on various diets. Evaluate the relative economic energy and nutrient efficiencies of intensive walleye culture versus extensive walleye culture.

APPROACH: Experimental diets will be developed in collaboration with the Tunison Laboratory of Fish Nutrition. All growth and survival tests will be conducted in triplicate in running water systems at temperatures between 10°C and 21°C. "Mini"-troughs of six-liter capacity will be used. Lots of 200 walleye fry or 30 walleye fingerlings will be used and feeding trials will be scheduled for 10 weeks. Fish will be fed at five minute intervals with automatic feeders. Five fish from each lot will be selected for histological and pathological analyses. Total costs in terms of nutrients, energy, and money will be determined and compared with those incurred in rearing walleyes under extensive conditions.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Intensive culture of walleye through all stages of their early life history requires knowledge of the factors affecting the successful conversion of post hatch larvae to artificial or natural diets. Massive mortality of fry usually occurs as they fail to initiate feeding. This study has assessed the role of available energy in the yolk sac to larval development and the role of

feeding initiation in increased survival of fry in cylindrical rearing units. Caloric energy deficits occur in fry at 7 days (20 degrees C) but no survival differences were detected in fish which initiated feeding at 2, 4, or 6 days of age. Death due to starvation occurred at 14 and 21 days for walleye fry held at 17 and 20 degrees C respectively. Survival and growth of juvenile walleye were strongly influenced by the shape of the rearing unit and direction of water flow within the unit. Significantly better results were obtained in hatching jars with an upwelling flow of water in comparison to troughs. Better performance of the cylindrical units could be attributed to two factors: improved food suspension time and reduced competition for food.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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005.039\* CRIS0074023  
A COMPARISON OF THE ACCUMULATION RATES OF P ABSORBED  
BY THE VITAL ORGANS OF FISH

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Proj. No.: NC-X-PR-0006-20094 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 26 SEP 77 To 25 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Note whether solid or dissolved forms of  $p^{32}$  in the medium vary in absorption rates of the material in the organs of fish determine the tolerance level of  $p^{32}$  in *Gambusia* during different seasons of the year.

APPROACH: Quantities of minnows will be collected periodically from nearby farms ponds and streams and maintained in aquaria for observation and study. Three ten gallon aquarium tanks will be filled with pond water from which the specimens are taken. The tanks will be labeled "experimental liquid" "experimental solid" "controlled". A daily record will be taken of the room temperature and temperature of each tank. Likewise, the daily pH for each tank and the concentration of  $p^{32}$  for the "experimental" and "solid" tanks. (Note: The concentrations of the liquids in these two tanks should be identical). An adequate quantity of specimens will be placed in each tank and at three day intervals. Ten specimens from each tank will be sacrificed and dissected to obtain such vital organs as the eye, brain, gills, heart, liver, skin, kidney, body muscle, gonad, and vertebrae. Each of these organs will be thoroughly dehydrated in a drying oven followed by pulverization. Small aliquot portions of each of the samples will be weighed and tested by the use of equipment manufactured by Searle Analytic, Inc.

PROGRESS: 80/03 TO 81/02. This is a summarized statement of the results of an investigation of a comparison of the accumulation rates of radioactive phosphorus absorbed by the vital organs of fish fed treated solid food to the rates of those imbibing the isotope dissolved directly in water. The experimental results obtained to date by the use of model 470 gas flow detector, model 1042 automatic sample changer and model 8703 decade scaler from Searle Analytic, Inc., are as follows: The kidney, heart, and liver respectively absorbed 1.3 times as much radiation as did similar organs of organisms absorbing the isotope dissolved directly in water; The brain, gonad, vertebrae and gills absorbed 1.4 times as much as did the respective organs of specimens receiving the dissolved form; The skin absorbed 1.5 times as much as its counterpart; The eye 1.6 times as much and the muscle 1.3 times the accumulation as its respective counterpart. Hence, on the basis of these results it may be concluded that it is well worthwhile to dissolve waste (32-P) before disposal.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/03 TO 81/02

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BIOLOGICAL FEASIBILITY OF INTENSIFIED OYSTER CULTURE

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Proj. No.: OREU0338

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Cut-bay culture will investigate the biological and economic feasibility of pond or raceway culture under controlled conditions. This will yield data on the influence of parameters such as water volumes, currents and seeding density on oyster growth. Efforts will also be made to correlate changes in available natural food, as measured by dissolved and particulate organic carbon and nitrogen, with changes in oyster growth. These studies may also encourage investors by demonstrating the reduced threat to culture facilities from floods, winds and storms.

APPROACH: Hatchery-produced seed oysters will be placed on the bottom of commercial oyster growing grounds, on oyster growing trays and on experimental rafts. The growth and survival of these oysters will be monitored over a two-year period beginning in the spring of 1975. These data will provide a means of evaluating the relative efficiency and productivity of the various culture methods. Concurrent with the placement of seed oysters in the field, oysters from the same brood group will be held in an existing out-bay rearing pond provided with pumped seawater. The growth and survival of these oysters will be monitored for comparison with other rearing methods. Refinement of the out-bay culture method will be a continuing process.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Cultchless seed was again planted in Tillamook Bay. As we have had no ice or adverse weather to date, growth and survival data should be collected in the Spring of 1981. *Crassostrea rivularis* has been accepted by some of the growers and eyed larvae and seed are available from two commercial hatcheries. Monthly sampling of the Kumamoto oyster is complete. Three years of data shows this oyster to mature later in the year. As this oyster is a warm water spawner (25 degrees C), this data agrees with our laboratory data which says low temperature delays sexual maturation but does not affect the rate of maturation. For the second year we have successfully spawned this oyster in late summer. Eyed larvae as a seed source is gaining popularity. A failure of domestic wild seed has increased the interests in hatchery seed. Techniques for handling eyed larvae are being perfected. Four hatcheries are now producing eyed larvae for sale. Communication. Held a workshop in Astoria for Oregon and Washington growers to explain the eyed larvae technique for obtaining oyster seed. Visited the interested growers and helped them with the technique of setting eyed larvae.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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NUTRITION OF SALMONID FISHES

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Proj. No.: ORE00826

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 20 JUL 66 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Investigate the fundamental nutrition of hatchery salmonids. Further develop and improve, both nutritionally and economically, the Oregon Moist Pellet. Develop a nutritionally adequate and physically available starter diet for young salmonids.

APPROACH: A completely purified diet for salmonid which will produce growth responses as good or better than the Oregon Moist Pellet (OMP) for investigation of the fundamental nutritional requirements of salmonids will be developed. Experiments will be conducted to expand the body of knowledge about the vitamin, mineral, amino acid, and fatty acid requirements of salmonids. The purified diet will be used to evaluate new, more nutritional and economical sources of protein for use in formulating the C.M.P. Modifications in the composition of the C.M.P. to enhance its manufacturing, feeding, and nutritional qualities will be investigated. Means of preserving the C.M.P. by methods other than freezing will be investigated. Basic methods of evaluating nutritive value and quality will be investigated to provide a more critical criteria for evaluating the quality of the OMP. A nutritionally sound and physically available starter diet for juvenile salmonids will be developed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Cooperative efforts with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife accomplished research which supported improved production, cost and nutrition in the Oregon pellet feed system. Corn and soybean oil supplements were replaced with fish oil providing superior dietary fatty acids. Chemical indices for the quality of fish oil were correlated with growth. Efforts allowed the use of fillet carcass waste, hake and meals of anchovy, hake and menhaden providing flexibility to specifications. Evaluations of oil seed meals as substitutes for fish protein showed limitations related to availability and/or stress to body functions. Wet heat processing and/or enzymatic modification coupled with dietary mineral and amino acid supplementation failed to improve availability. A phosphoric acid-potassium sorbate stabilization system was developed for wet fish components reducing storage costs. The relationship between dietary ascorbic acid and destruction (production and storage) to body status was estimated. Protected sources of ascorbic acid at appropriate levels were evaluated for the feed system. Fish protein and fat energy levels required for optimum growth in warm and cold water conditions were determined. Two high quality ration concepts based on fish meal, poultry by-product meal and fish press cake were developed and evaluated (laboratory and hatchery scale) to enhance fish survival.

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USE OF NUTRIENT CONTAINING LIPID VESICLES AS A FOOD  
SOURCE FOR SHELLFISH OF PACIFIC NORTHWEST

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Proj. No.: OSE06417 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 09 MAY 79 To 08 MAY 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the feasibility of using lipid vesicles (liposomes) for feeding juvenile Pacific oysters in culture. Make comparisons between the digestion of live algae and lipid vesicles. Determine the potential to use lipid vesicles as a means of studying nutritional requirements in oysters. Determine the applicability of the lipid vesicle ration to other suspension feeders, i.e. crabs and shrimp. Determine the feasibility of applying this artificial ration to the study of food chain relationships and environmental toxicants.

APPROACH: Lipid vesicles containing amino acids will be prepared for egg-lecithin and fed to juvenile Pacific oysters in an artificial system. Acceptance and digestion of the vesicles and its contents will be monitored by radiotracer techniques. Growth and development of the oysters fed the liposomal diet will be monitored by radiotracer techniques. Growth and development of the oysters fed the liposomal diet will also be compared to oysters on live food sources. These data should provide information in order to determine the feasibility of using lipid vesicles for growing shellfish in intensive culture systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The ingestion, uptake and metabolism of liposomes by juvenile Pacific oysters (*Crassostrea gigas*) were studied by several methods in an effort to assess their potential as encapsulating agents. Liposomes composed of egg phosphatidylcholine-cholesterol-sterylamine (7:1:2) formed readily and appeared stable in 200/00 seawater. Radiotracer studies with liposomes made with [<sup>14</sup>C]-labelled cholesterol or [<sup>14</sup>C]-phosphatidylcholine showed substantial uptake of the label throughout the oyster with a high level of label found in the epithelial cells of ducts and tubules of the digestive diverticula from animals fed [<sup>14</sup>C]-labelled phosphatidylcholine. To examine metabolism of liposome encapsulated substances, [<sup>14</sup>C]-glucose and [<sup>14</sup>C]-amino acids were entrapped and fed to oysters. Label from glucose appeared largely in a chloroform-methanol insoluble fraction, while most label from amino acids were recovered in trichloroacetic acid-precipitable protein. Further evidence for intracellular uptake of liposomes were obtained with fluorescence microscopy after feeding oysters liposomes containing bovine serum albumin conjugated with fluorescein isothiocyanate. The ingestion, intracellular uptake, and breakdown of liposomes and their contents indicate a use for these particles in studies of nutrition or pollutant-food web relationships in bivalve molluscs or other filter-feeding organisms.

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NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE BEPACMA LABORATORY

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Proj. No.: OSE00233 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 72 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Provide for the operation and maintenance of the Food Toxicology and Nutrition Laboratory at Corvallis, Oregon.

APPROACH: The Food Toxicology and Nutrition Laboratory provides unique research facilities for conducting experiments in food toxicology and nutrition using rainbow trout and other salmonids as experimental animals. This laboratory provides opportunities for basic and applied research in protecting man's food supply and understanding his nutritional requirements.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Service Project -- no report required.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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UTILIZATION OF PROTEIN INGREDIENTS IN FISH RATIONS

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Proj. No.: ORE00195 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 17 OCT 74 To 31 DEC 82

OBJECTIVES: Feasibility of reducing consumption of fish meal and other animal protein ingredients in fish rations by Utilization of new and/or little used proteins to replace fish meal and other animal proteins in fish rations, maximum use of dietary lipids and carbohydrates to spare protein and satisfy the energy requirements of fish.

APPROACH: Algae, fungal, and leaf proteins will be obtained. Treatments, if needed, will be conducted to inactivate undesirable ingredients, feeding experiments with rations containing these proteins will be conducted. Fish weight gain, mortality, feed conversion and protein efficiency ratio (PER) will be calculated. Different levels of marine lipids and animal fats will be incorporated in fish rations to supply adequate quantities of omega 3 fatty acids and energy for fish. Utilization of carbohydrates for energy will be determined. The minimum and optimum levels of protein in rations containing varying levels of lipid and carbohydrates will be determined.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A trout feeding experiment was conducted to study the nutritional quality of plant proteins when used for partial replacement of the expensive animal proteins in fish diets. Several soybean products were evaluated. These were two samples of soy protein isolates (82% protein), tempeh, a fermented soybean product, extracted tempeh (about 70% of fat removed), cooked soybean, unfermented. Eight test diets were prepared using these proteins to replace 22 to 44% of animal protein in fish diets. Each test diet was fed to duplicate groups of rainbow trout for 14 weeks. The results indicated that replacing 22% of dietary animal protein by soy protein isolates did not reduce the growth rate of fish. However, replacement of 33 and 44% significantly reduced the fish growth. Trout reluctantly accepted the diet containing 22% protein from cooked soybean. Fermentation of the same soybean by *Rhizopus oligosporus* removed the grassy taste and improved the acceptability of the diet and the fish growth was significantly greater than that of the unfermented soybean diet. Calculation of the feed efficiency (fish wt. gain/wt. of dry feed consumed) showed that the all animal protein control diet was 1.20; diets containing 22% protein isolates 1.15 and 1.17; extracted tempeh diet 1.03; unextracted tempeh 0.99; 33 and 44% soy protein isolates diets 1.00 and the unfermented soybean 0.99. Fish mortality was low (0.5-3.0%).

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: PR00322 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 14 SEP 78 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food: Nutrition, genetics and breeding and culture systems.

APPROACH: Experiments will be designed to determine practical feeds for *Tilapia* spp. under tropical conditions. Digestibility coefficients for these diets will be determined for each species.

Development and evaluations of suitable breeding and sexing techniques for mass production of Tilapia species and monosex hybrids. Determine optimum stocking densities and growth of Tilapia spp. in cage cultures and ponds utilizing supplementary feeding and/or pond fertilization. Flavor and texture of the fish (fresh and processed) will be determined by organoleptic tests.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Six 1 m 3 floating cages were suspended in three 0.1 ha ponds and stocked with either 150, 300, 450, or 650 Tilapia nilotica fingerlings (75 to 125 mm/long) per cage. At least one of these densities was either fed a 30% protein sinking pellet at a rate of 4% total body weight daily, six days per week, or not fed. This preliminary study was conducted for 77 days at which time the fish from each cage were weighed and measured. Fish that were not fed merely maintained their initial stocking weight, regardless of density. Fish fed 4% daily gained 0.77, 0.70, 0.59, and 0.53 g/day in cages stocked with 150, 300, 450, and 600 fish/cage, respectively. This indicated T. nilotica fed a complete ration grew at a slower rate in cages when stocked at higher densities. The above preliminary study indicates the need to determine the optimum stocking density of T. nilotica in cages. The effects of pond size may also be important and needs to be studied in conjunction with density. An experiment will be conducted during 1981 to determine these effects. Cages will be suspended in ponds of either 0.70 ha or 0.16 ha and stocked with either 250, 500, 750, or 1000 fingerlings/cage. All fishes will be fed an equal percentage of the total body weight per cage.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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THE TREATMENT AND USE OF WASTE PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS  
IN THE DIET OF AQUATIC ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: R100015 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 03 OCT 74 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Feed crab waste & evaluate it as a feed supplement for trout & salmon. Experiment with microwave energy as an alternate method of cooking crab sections. Utilization of the waste product will determine the value of the process to the producer. We propose to synthesize epoxy canthaxanthin & determine the effect of these alkylating agents on trout. Evaluate citrus peels that have been processed as a feed supplement to some aquatic animals.

APPROACH: Diets for trout & salmon have been developed & in some cases commercial rations are available. The materials to be tested will either be adsorbed on prepared diets or incorporated into defined diets. Where the best diet is at present unknown the effect of various test diets will have to be determined by looking at growth rate & the condition of various organs. An attempt will be made to determine the point of deposition of various compounds that are added. Fish necropsy will be performed to determine abnormal effects particularly with the addition of epoxy canthaxanthin. Microwave energy cooking & thawing will be used as an alternative means of processing crab. The waste material from this will be compared with conventionally cooked material.

PROGRESS: 74/10 TO 80/09. The deposition of carotenoid pigments was studied in the freshwater prawn with and without eyestalk ablation. Ablated prawn fed a pigmented diet showed a significant increase in pigmentation over the nonablated controls fed pigmented diets. The major pigment in the flower Adonis aestivalis was proved to be astaxanthin diester. The diester was completely characterized to the SS' chiral form. The whole flower fed to rainbow trout proved to be toxic but an extract showed good pigmentation. Fatty acid analysis proved that the ester is hydrolyzed and resynthesized in the trout

skin. Adonis flowers represent the only plant source of the salmon pigment. In an effort to assess the cause of some brine shrimp supporting growth and survival of larval fish, Artemia were contaminated with environmental levels of dieldrin and dieldrin. These Artemia were fed to winter flounder. No mortalities were observed but lower growth was noted. Some increased lipid metabolism was seen and some metabolism of the chlorinated hydrocarbons was suggested.

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EFFECT OF DIET QUALITY ON AQUATIC ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: R100021 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Assess the effect of temporal and sampling site variations on the chlorinated hydrocarbons, fatty acids and protein electrophoretic patterns of Artemia from the San Francisco/San Pablo Bays. Assess the variation within commercial lots of Artemia. Develop Artemia as a vehicle to deliver specific nutritional components and/or contaminants to pre- and post-metamorphosed winter flounder. Determine the individual and combined effects of cis-chlordane, dieldrin and long chain fatty acids on growth and survival of winter flounder fed Artemia. Verify a method of "fingerprinting" Artemia populations by isoelectric focusing. Develop and test new sources of astaxanthin for salmonid and crustacean culture.

APPROACH: Artemia from commercial and personal collections will be typed by published & developed procedures for fatty acids, pesticides and electrophoretic patterns GLC/integrators and isoelectric focus equipment will be used. Astaxanthin ester from Adonis flowers will be fed to trout and the color and toxicity if any noted Artemia with specific levels chlorination hydrocarbons and fatty acids will be fed to winter flounder larva.

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: SC00241 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food. Nutrition, water quality, diseases and culture systems. Evaluate the economics of production processing and marketing of freshwater food animals.



APPROACH: Parasites, nutrition and growth of American eels will be investigated in natural and cultured populations. Tolerance of eels to chemicals commonly used in fish culture will be studied. Nutritional requirements and growth of tilapia and basses will be investigated by feeding diets containing varying percentages of protein and different amino acid mixtures. Effects of waterborne quantities of insecticides (Mirex) on production of freshwater prawns will also be investigated. Economics of a state-operated hatchery for *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* will be investigated. Cooperative involvement in freshwater shrimp culture is not anticipated in South Carolina, but a cottage industry may be assisted by receiving post larvae or juveniles from the state.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A feeding regime for channel catfish, which takes into account water temperature and body size was tested again during 1980. Results described herein represent data from 1571 channel catfish weighed individually. Average final weight after 174 feeding days was 280 g, representing a 270 g net gain. Conversion (5) averaged 1.20. Catfish continued to feed regularly until harvest, at which time water temperature was 10 degrees C. Final weights and conversions observed in this study represent substantial improvements over previously reported values. The assumption of linearity in daily growth in length was tested in a separate experiment. When water temperature exceeds 25 C, daily growth is essentially linear, averaging 1.27 mm/day (0.05 in/day). Work on the identification and confirmation of parasites found on 217 subadult American eels (*Anguilla rostrata*) trapped in Cooper River, S.C. is continuing. New host records were identified for the protozoan *Trypanosoma granulosum*; monogenean *Cyrodactylus anguillae*; trematodes *Stephanostomum imparaspine*, *Opecoeloides fimbriatus* and *O. vitellus*; cestode, *Bothrimonus sturionus*; and crustacean *Ergasilus cerastes*. New distribution records for parasites found in the southeastern region of United States include the protozoans *T. granulosum* and *Myxidium giardi*; monogenean *G. anguillae*; cestode *B. sturionus*; acanthocephalan *Fessisantis iriedi* and crustacean *E. celestis*.

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SOUTH DAKOTA FARM AND RANGE FISHERIES

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Proj. No.: SD00300 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUN 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: determine the feasibility of culturing annual crops of channel catfish and rainbow trout in eastern South Dakota dugouts; determine the forage species which produce the greatest growth rates and harvestable biomass of largemouth bass in South Dakota ponds and determine the panfish species which, when stocked with largemouth bass, is least susceptible to overpopulation.

APPROACH: Ponds and dugouts will be stocked with a variety of fish species. Stocking rates, fish species, artificial feeding and other variables will be utilized to ascertain both sport and commercial value of selected South Dakota pondfish populations.

PROGRESS: 80/06 TO 80/12. Sixteen dugout ponds in eastcentral South Dakota were stocked with fingerling channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*) at stocking rates of 309, 618, 1235, and 1853/ha. After one growing season average weights for catfish at the various stocking rates were 180, 193, 173, and 105 g, respectively. Survival rates were 54, 34, 66, and 51%. Taste tests resulted in all fish rating as fair

or better. Twenty-one dugouts were stocked with rainbow trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) at stocking rates of 200, 400, 600, 800/ha. Survival rates for the whole growing season were poor, however, growth and survival for approximately the first 2 months of the study were excellent. Average length for the initial 2 month period was 188 mm (135-239 mm range); average weight was 79 g (27-170 g range). A taste panel rated all but one group of fish as at least fair to good. Analysis of data concerning the stocking of 80 South Dakota ponds with a number of different species compositions is being completed. Initial results indicate significant differences in first year growth of largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) and black bullheads (*I. melus*) between southern and northern quadrats. No difference in the first year growth rates of largemouth bass were observed among stocking combinations. First year survival of game species was 67.5% for black bullheads, 50.8% for largemouth bass, and 28.7% for bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*).

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FISHERIES UNIT

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Proj. No.: SD00914 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 17 JAN 67 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Research various problems of fish and aquatic habitats in South Dakota.

APPROACH: Partial contribution by University to M/U between U and Cooperative Fishery Unit between U. S. Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and S. D. Department of Game, Fish, & Parks. Work program varies according to the annual agreement of the coordinating committee.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The study concerning fish interactions in a power plant cooling reservoir continued. The estimated standing crop of the 4 major forage fish species was 28.1 kg/ha. The forage fish population was dominated by age-groups I and II. Impingement of forage fishes was primarily restricted to young-of-the-year and highest impingement rates usually occurred in the evening. Muskellunge (*Esox masquinongy*) were most vulnerable to impingement during the first 2 months after their introduction. The growth rate of muskellunge in the reservoir (Age-II, 753 mm average; Age-I, 465 mm average) was higher than all reports for this species in North America. Alimentary canal development of muskellunge was studied with relation to invertebrate food sources. The most selected for food organism during both day and night was *Moina brachiata*. Cyclops vernalis was also selected for during night. Muskellunge selected against *Asplanchna sieboldi*, *Potamocypis* sp., and *Daphnia* sp. Food organisms collected from the foregut of fry collected at 2300 hours were significantly larger, but not more numerous, than those in the foregut of fry collected at 1300 hours. As the fry grew and the mouth diameter increased, the sizes of food organisms increased. Fry initially selected for the first and second instars of *M. brachiata* and against the later instars and adults; by day 23 they selected for adults and against immature instars.

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#### FRESHWATER COD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: TEN00491

Project Type: BATCB

Agency ID: CERS

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for Freshwater animals cultured for food.

APPROACH: Standard methods will be employed to determine the effects of steroids and selected marking techniques (branding, tagging, mutilation) on survival and growth of catfish. Polycultural methods using food fishes such as catfish, sunfish hybrids, etc., will be compared to monocultural practices as relating to growth and total production.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Experimentation evaluating the feasibility of polyculturing channel catfish and tilapia in a high-density, flow-through system was completed. Growth and condition of catfish were significantly reduced in all polyculture treatments as compared to monoculture treatment. Correlation of species densities (3:1, 6:1, 12:1 tilapia/catfish) and growth of catfish resulted in a significant negative relationship. Tilapia growth and condition were unaffected except at the highest stocking density. Water quality parameters were similar between the treatments, except for dissolved oxygen levels which at times were lower in the polyculture treatments. A tetracycline-resistant strain of *Edwardsiella tarda* was isolated from infected fish; this is the first report of this strain in channel catfish. Preliminary work was restricted to examine the feasibility of using freshwater mussels as a food source. Replicate samples using the washboard variety of mussel are being examined for composition, microbial profile, and quality of surrounding water.

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#### SHRIMP MATURATION, REPRODUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, NUTRITION, INTENSIVE-EXTENSIVE CULTURE AND MARICULTURE

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Proj. No.: TEX06325

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Obtain basic and applied knowledge required for development of penaeid shrimp mariculture as a successful industry. This includes reproduction in captivity, development of satisfactory dried prepared feeds and improvement of shrimp production from intensive and extensive

culture.

APPROACH: Shrimp reproduction of natural populations will be biochemically and nutritionally characterized. Nutritional, environmental and cultural requirements for reproduction in captivity will be studied. By comparing reproduction obtained in captivity to baseline reproductive data from natural populations and evaluating laboratory experiments, the understanding of reproduction and basis for reproduction in captivity will be obtained. Shrimp nutrition will be evaluated by determining food conversion ratios, % assimilation values, growth rates, % mortalities, organ indices and biochemical changes to different dried prepared foods. Improvement of shrimp production from intensive (tank) and extensive (pond) culture will be from nutritional, salinity, temperature and polyculture studies.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. General objective of this project is to obtain technology with knowledge and understanding of basic biological principles necessary to establish shrimp mariculture as a new agricultural crop in Texas. Accomplishments for last year were: Construction of maturation/reproduction facility at Corpus Christi; Maturation with spawning of fertile eggs of three species of marine shrimp, *Penaeus vannamei*, *P. stylirostris* and *P. setiferus*; Evaluation of lipid requirement in marine shrimp maturation/reproduction; Seedstock supply of marine shrimp is most limiting to establishment of shrimp mariculture in Texas. The preceding represent significant steps in removing this obstacle. Overwintering of broodstock in ponds receiving heated effluent. Overwintering of broodstock is a necessity for a guaranteed source of seedstock and future genetic/domestication studies. Determination of chill tolerance of brine shrimp larvae and importance of cryoprotectants and viability of marine shrimp frozen to -16 degrees C. The preceding represents a step toward cryopreservation of marine shrimp seedstock which will be required to guarantee seedstock supply at minimum cost. Determination of osmoregulation of juvenile and mature marine shrimp. Knowledge of osmoregulatory ability of marine shrimp is needed since sea water along Texas coast is variable.

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#### LIPID METABOLISM IN AQUATIC ORGANISMS

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Proj. No.: TEX01926

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 SEP 71 To 31 MAY 81

OBJECTIVES: Characterize the fatty acyl lipids of various trophic levels in open waters in the proximity and under the Ross Ice Shelf. Evaluate the transfer of lipids through these trophic levels. Characterize the influence of a reduced degree of illumination on the polyunsaturated fatty acid content of the lipids of various trophic levels.



**APPROACH:** Various experiments are proposed to study the metabolism of lipids in aquatic organisms and its application to improve the quality of these aquatic products as human food. Various fatty acid mixtures will be fed to shrimp and the growth rate determined. Seasonal variations in the sterol composition of shrimp from the Gulf of Mexico will be characterized. Groups of *Tilapia aurea* will be fed different diets and the degree of fat production will be determined, and Marine invertebrates will be grown in the presence of inorganic selenium and the incorporation of the element will be followed. Furthermore, the selenium-compounds formed will be characterized.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 81/05. Studies were continued on basic and applied aspects of the metabolism of lipids (fats) and selenium in aquatic organisms. The sterols of Gulf of Mexico shrimp (white and brown shrimps were analyzed) were 90 to 85% cholesterol plus small amounts (1 to 2% each) of other components. The level of cholesterol in shrimp muscle was about 1 g per 100 g. About 90% of the cholesterol was free, the rest being cholesterol esters. No major differences were detected between the two species of shrimp that were studied. *Tilapia aurea* is a freshwater fish that is becoming very popular among aquaculturists. Our studies on this advanced significantly when we were able to adapt recently developed methods to the isolation of *Tilapia* liver mitochondria. These studies will be subject of a future publication. Work on the physiological and toxicological effects of selenium in a algae continued vigorously. We are in the process of analyzing the selenium-containing gases (probably selenides) exhaled by various algae. Furthermore, we have analyzed the biochemical components of various algae after their exposure to selenium and found selenium in amino acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids in decreasing order. These and experiments with radiolabeled selenium indicate that selenium is incorporated into the algal cells and also that selenium as selenite is much better incorporated than selenium as selenate.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 81/05

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: TEX02831 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food, including: Nutrition, genetics and breeding, water quality, diseases, and culture systems. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

**APPROACH:** Various methods will be utilized to meet the objectives of the overall S-38 project in the several cooperating institutions. The thrust of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station will be on channel catfish, *Tilapia* and freshwater shrimp, with emphasis being placed on objectives I above, especially nutrition, water quality and culture systems.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Lipid energy requirements of channel catfish fry were evaluated with semipurified diets over the period from onset of feeding until the fish reached several grams in weight. The data obtained will be utilized to aid in the preparation of fry feeds specifically developed for channel catfish. It is anticipated that the protein: energy ratio will be adjusted as food particle size is increased during the initial year of life. Semipurified diets with varying lipid sources and percentages revealed no significant differences in channel catfish fingerling growth over the lipid

range from 6 to 14% at a mean temperature of 22 degrees C, though fish fed 10% lipid were slightly larger in mean size at the end of the 20 week experiment. Fatty acid composition revealed that there were no significantly different patterns among diets with the same lipid source, but there were differences among lipid sources with respect to final fatty acid composition. Polyculture studies with freshwater shrimp and *tilapia* revealed some depressed growth when the two were stocked together, but in general, feeding on the basis of estimated fish biomass will yield a secondary shrimp crop, without the need to provide shrimp feed. Overwintering of large numbers of *tilapia* is being conducted to determine if the technique is feasible for use in central Texas and to provide fish for a study of second year growth potential of this fish. Plastic and fiberglass covered ponds as well as indoor overwintering facilities are being compared.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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CRIS0074600

EVALUATION OF RELATIVE PROTEIN PERFORMANCE IN PELLETED FISH RATIONS USING PHYSIOLOGICAL INDICES

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Proj. No.: VA-0838003-1 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 78

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop a physiological chamber to facilitate collection of blood and urine from fish, determine the response of selected physiological indices of channel catfish maintained in physiological chambers and feed diets containing different single and combined protein sources, develop methodology for predicting relative protein performance, test the above methodology.

**APPROACH:** Design chamber for simultaneous blood and urine collection, identify physiological responses of channel catfish to different dietary protein sources through colorimetric determinations of blood and urine selected indices, apply appropriate statistical analysis and multiple regression analysis to develop diagnostic methodology, test methodology through addition protein evaluations.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Progress on this project falls into two main areas of evaluating enzyme indicators for rapid evaluation of fish growth response to different protein diets and evaluating the utility of seafood waste products as a ingredient for fish feeds. Evaluation of enzyme indicators in laboratory experiments indicates that glutamate oxaloacetate transaminase and glutamate dehydrogenase reliably predict the continued growth rate of channel catfish after four weeks of testing. Similar results occur when both the quantity or quality of protein in the diets are varied. This technique has widespread applicability to the feed industry because rapid experiments are more economical and controllable than long-term feeding trials and because protein is the most expensive ingredient in diets. Evaluation of seafood wastes as a dietary ingredient for catfish culture indicates that both crab and finfish wastes have more than 60% protein and that the amino acid composition of wastes is balanced with respect to catfish nutritional needs, containing all essential

amino acids. Use of seafood wastes is important to the seafood industry, which must find alternative means for disposal of wastes, and for the aquaculture industry, which needs inexpensive forms of protein for fish ponds.

PUBLICATIONS: 50/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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CRIS0083531

#### AQUACULTURE FOR RESOURCE ENHANCEMENT

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Proj. No.: WIS02581

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 SEP 80 TO 31 AUG 84

OBJECTIVES: To determine the quantitative amino acid requirements of rainbow trout and yellow perch; to examine the feasibility of employing anabolic substances; to control sexual differentiation and enhance growth and food conversion efficiency and to apply this information to the propagation and culture of Great Lakes fishes.

APPROACH: An amino acid test diet will be developed to promote good growth at 15°C for trout and 22°C for perch. The dietary requirements of these species will be determined under high NH(3) versus low ammonia condition and to determine his, ile, leu, phe, thr, and val requirements and amino acid interrelationships. These studies will be undertaken to determine whether selected biochemical correlates of growth can be used in evaluating the amino acid in protein quality requirements of fishes. With respect to yellow perch only, a study will be undertaken to determine the size or age at which sexual differentiation occurs. Selected androgenic and estrogenic compounds will be used to control sexual differentiation or reverse the sex of immature fish. The dosages and length of treatment required to control sexual differentiation will be studied. A comparison will be made of the growth rate, food consumption, food conversion efficiency, protein conversion efficiency, and body composition of treated and untreated fish. Finally, the treated & untreated species will be evaluated for the effect of these substances on production & palatability of edible flesh.

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CRIS0062972

#### DEVELOP OF AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS FOR COOL WATER FISH SPECIES

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Proj. No.: WIS01953

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 SEP 72 TO 30 AUG 81

OBJECTIVES: Maintain a facility for fish growing operations and research as a service unit. Improve the reproductive efficiency of cool water species of fish to be used in aquaculture. Improve the acceptability and nutritive value of formulated feeds used in aquaculture. Improve methods of yellow perch fingerling production.

APPROACH: The aquaculture research facility at 6080 McKee Road, Madison, WI and the outside ponds on the UW Experimental Farms will be maintained and operated to provide research facilities and fish to be used in aquaculture research. Selective breeding of yellow perch and other cool water species will be used to improve the strains of fish and adapt them to aquaculture operations. Studies on the preservation of fish sperm, ova, and fertilized eggs by cryobiological methods will be made. Various types of protein sources will be investigated for incorporation into formulated diets used in fish growing operations. The care, management and productivity of outside ponds for fingerling production will be investigated.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Project emphasis over the past 4 years has been on developing methods of commercially culturing yellow perch indoors in closed water-recycling systems. Research has shown that this type of culture is technically feasible, through the application of sanitary engineering principles but is too capital intensive for commercial development. Project emphasis has been shifted to pond, raceway and cage culture, both for commercial applications and wild fisheries enhancement. The project has also worked extensively on diet development, control of reproduction, cryopreservation of sperm, and fingerling production of coolwater species of fish. Dietary recommendations regarding coolwater fish production have been made available through the National Coolwater Fish Diet Steering Committee. Methods for controlling reproduction in coolwater fish have been developed and applied to improve the predictability of spawning. Sperm from yellow perch, northern pike and walleye have been frozen, stored and later used to fertilize eggs. Such research will aid in improving the efficiency and profitability of fish rearing operations, whether they be for commercial purposes or fishery enhancement.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

## 6. Production Management Systems

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#### DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR TOTAL UTILIZATION OF SWINE WASTE

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Proj. No.: ALA00515

Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 05 NOV 79 TO 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine basic relationships of the unit processes of screening, pressing, anaerobic digestion and algae production at the bench and field scales using flushed swine waste. Determine the potential feeding value of the screened raw swine waste, the residue of digestion and the harvested algae in varying combinations with conventional feeds. Provide a facility for demonstration of the concept of total waste utilization that would be viewed as a forerunner or model for the future.

APPROACH: Investigation of screening and pressing will be performed at the field scale. Basic characteristics of screen rigs and flowrate and separation of solids fraction will be studied. Suitability of screened solids for refeeding and anaerobic digestion will be evaluated. Pressing will be used to dewater the solids before refeeding. Anaerobic digestion will be studied at the bench scale (100 gal.) in continuously expanding volume operation. Basic relationships of temperature, gas production and quality, etc. will be studied followed by installation of field unit. Algae production will be studied using field scale production ponds.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Work on this multi-phased project progressed well in 1980. Full scale components installed at the 600 head swine research unit comprising a waste processing laboratory consisted of a deep pit for waste storage, a constant volume waste handling pump, a vibrating screen for solids separation and a metal building for housing the components. Studies involving nutrient separation of the flushed swine waste will begin in early 1981. Three bench scale (378.5L) anaerobic digestors were constructed and placed in operation using the continuously expanding digester concept and swine waste. One run (90 day cycle time; 10, 22.5, 35 degrees C; and .32 kg VS/day loading) has been completed. Results of this particular run show poor performance based on VS reduction and gas quantity and quality. Chemical analysis of the digester contents clearly show overloading. VFA content was 8000-10000 mg/l, NH(4) + concentration was about 3000



mg/l and pH values were in the 6.3 to 6.6 range. Loading rate and cycle time studies (.16 and .48 kg VS day and 90, 135 and 180 day cycle times) will continue in 1981. The 10 degree C digester temperature will be discontinued following the current run due to extremely poor digester performance. Mild acid and alkaline hydrolysis studies as a pretreatment to enhance gas production during digestion were also started during 1980.

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#### 006.002\* CRIS0067635 EVALUATION OF A CLOSED SYSTEM FOR THE CULTURE OF FISH, SHELLFISH AND AQUATIC PLANTS

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Proj. No.: ALA00399 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 14 APR 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Maximize animal protein production from a fed fish population in a closed system through the use of aquatic plants, fish and shellfish grown in the effluent. Develop management plan for growing fish from recently hatched fry to harvestable size in a closed system. Determine the carrying capacity of closed systems for various sizes of food fish fingerlings.

APPROACH: Food fish populations will be grown in tanks and fed a complete diet. The effluent will be reconditioned by circulation through tanks containing populations of filter feeding fish and shellfish. It will be further reconditioned with the removal of dissolved nutrients by aquatic plants. Reconditioned water will be aerated by air blower and returned to the food fish population.

PROGRESS: 75/04 TO 80/06. During 1980 all data for the year 1979 were summarized and recorded in a doctoral dissertation and two technical papers. Data collected during the five-year period of the project were summarized and the various modifications of the systems used were compared. This project was initiated 14 April 1975 and terminated 30 June 1980. Initial experiments were conducted in dual tanks, one for production and one for filtration. In this system dense populations of unicellular algae developed and was not adequately removed by the filter or filter feeding fish. Maximum production of channel catfish was 2.65 kg/m<sup>3</sup> and tilapia was 4.54 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. A system of one production and three filtration tanks was developed. Aquatic macrophytes were used to control unicellular algae. Maximum production of tilapia was 38.8 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 75/04 TO 80/06

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#### 006.003 CEIS0082106 INTEGRATION OF A SOLAR GREENHOUSE WITH A RECIRCULATING FISH CULTURE SYSTEM

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Proj. No.: ALA00527 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 24 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine the operational characteristics of a solar heated greenhouse, thermal storage and heat recovery facility for fish culture. Evaluate a recirculating fish culture system compatible with the greenhouse, thermal storage and heat recovery facility. Develop design and cost information based on the above to enable full scale production system to be built.

APPROACH: Food fish populations will be grown in tanks. The effluent will be reconditioned by circulation through a clarifier and tanks containing aquatic macrophytes. Reconditioned water will be aerated and returned to the food fish production tanks. The fish culture units will be housed in a solar heated greenhouse. The greenhouse will contain a heat storage facility and a heat recovery system.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. A parabolic greenhouse covered with fiber glass panels has been constructed. Six fiber glass tanks with drains, air and water supply systems have been installed. Two large circular pools (6 and 10 ft. diameter) were also installed. During the summer period air temperatures in excess of 50 degrees C were recorded. Evaporative cooling was used to reduce air temperatures to 30 degrees C. The base of the greenhouse was flooded with water to a level where the sand floor was moist. Exhaust fans moved outside air over the moist floor and effectively reduced excessive air temperatures. Low air temperatures of -1 degrees C have been recorded during the winter period. Water temperatures in the small tanks have remained above 10 degrees C and that of the large tanks above 16 degrees C. Tilapia have survived in both systems. A modified hydroponic system was developed using effluent from the large circular pool. Seeds of cotton, soybeans, wheat and rye germinated well and produced good vegetative growth.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 006.004 CRIS0073917 FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ALA00453 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food; water quality.

APPROACH: An improved design for paddlewheel aerators will be undertaken and their use for enhancing water quality in enriched culture ponds will be evaluated. Application of the aerators will be extended through simulation and hydraulic modeling.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Pond stirring, to more fully utilize the daytime oxygen surplus, and emergency aeration were observed at Auburn's Fisheries Research Unit in 1980. Between one and five waterblenders, designed and built in the Agricultural Engineering Department, provided daily circulation in a 1.42 ha pond. A trailer-mounted paddlewheel powered (via PTO) by a Ford 4000 tractor provided emergency aeration in a 1.12 ha pond. The emergency aerated pond was stocked at the rate generally considered to be a safe maximum with emergency aeration available, 7,400 fish/ha. The stirred pond was stocked at a higher density, 10,000 fish/ha, anticipating, in part, some benefits from pond stirring. This trial was not replicated, however, the heavier stocking of the pond relying on daily circulation would have made that pond more susceptible to oxygen problems. Total aeration energy costs were \$91.60/ha for emergency aeration and \$54.89/ha for aeration through circulation.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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SPORTFISH MANAGEMENT

CRIS0069485

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Proj. No.: ALA-27-0004 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 75 To 30 OCT 85

OBJECTIVES: Conduct various experiments in sportfish management.

APPROACH: Ponds well stocked with a combination of species of sportfish. Specific management techniques will be applied. Effectiveness of the technique will be measured in terms of angler catch and in catch per unit of effort. In streams and large reservoirs information will be collected on age, growth and population structure. From this information management schemes for increasing sportfish harvest will be devised.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Predator-prey relationships are usually based on the assumption that if prey is present that can be swallowed then it is available and will be utilized. This premise has been evaluated by examining actual length of prey eaten by largemouth bass from a large (10,500 ha) main stream reservoir in the Southeastern United States. The data suggest a well defined tendency for larger bass to eat larger prey; large bass do not utilize the smaller size prey usually assumed to be available. The range in prey size (sunfishes and shad) utilized by bass was predicted from a regression of prey versus predator length and the associated 95% confident interval. These studies have also suggested a shift in prey preference from bluegill to shad at lengths greater than 200 mm. The availability of small size bluegill, however, may be critical in determining the number of young-of-year bass eventually recruited as age 1(+) fish into the population. Three systems were compared as to the number of largemouth bass recruited. Farmponds (bass and bluegill only); community fishing lakes (bass, bluegill, shad); large impoundments (23-plus species including all of the above). Recruitment on the average was estimated to be 24-54, 24-44 and 7 respectively. In each case when shad was present, bluegill condition and spawning frequency decreased. Our conclusion is that bass populations in complex communities may be recruitment limited

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: AIA00630 Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 71 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate economics of production, processing, and marketing of freshwater food animals. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Mechanically deboned flesh from various fishes will be evaluated with regard to yield, quality, and storage stability. Waste from fish processing will be evaluated chemically and biologically, and technology will be developed for economic waste utilization. Methods will be tested for control of geosmin related off-flavor in pond raised fish. Costs and returns associated with production of food fish in various culture systems will be assessed. Identify and evaluate alternative marketing and distribution systems for fish with respect to market expansion, consumer reactions, and optimizing income to producers and processors.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. 59 collections of catfish processing waste (head, skin, viscera) from the major processing plants and representing production ponds from Ala., Miss. and Ark. were analyzed for a-BHC, heptachlor, DDE, DDT, Dieldrin, endrin and toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene; the range was 0.06 to 3.6 mg/kg. DDE and DDT was found in most; the range of DDE was 0.01 to 0.56 mg/kg and the range of DDT was 0.01 to 0.58 mg/kg. None of the pesticide concentration in any sample exceeded the levels allowed in human foods, indicating the waste should be safe to use in commercial fish feeds. 35 off-flavored catfish collected from processing plants in Mississippi during April-June 1980 were evaluated by a trained sensory panel for quality and intensity of off-flavor. Only six of the samples had the distinct geosmin flavor which was formerly thought to be the major off-flavor in pond raised catfish. The most prominent flavor was "fecal" (sewage or manure); other were "rancid", "paint", "diesel", and "algae". Extracts from each fish were sent to the Southern Regional Research Center (USDA - AR) for compound identification.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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006.007  
AQUACULTURE

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Proj. No.: ALA-27-0006 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 75 To 30 OCT 85

OBJECTIVES: Conduct various experiments on aquaculture.

APPROACH: A species or several species of fish will be stocked into aquaria, troughs, pools, ponds or raceways. Treatments appropriate to the research will be applied for a pre-determined time when the fish will be removed and weighed and measured.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Over a 3-year culture period, trapping experiments in a 10-hectare catfish pond yielded 1996 kg/ha/year of which 75% was caught by trapping and 25% upon draining the pond. Feed conversion was 2.0. Similar results were obtained in 1-ha ponds, but draining was every or every other year and production was approximately 3000 kg/ha. During 1980, one pond stocked at 8000 catfish/ha, and managed with improved genetic stock, destratification technique, and 15% floating 85% sinking feed yielded 4000 kg/ha and 1.5 feed conversion. Silver carp in catfish ponds changed algae dominance from blue-green to green, made catfish harvest more difficult, and decreased the number of emergency aerations. Large variations of the sex ratios in individual spawn of Tilapia nilotica and T. aurea indicate sex



determination is not a simple 1-locus system. Sex reversed males were potent allowing a workable system. One out of four sex-reversed grass carp males (gynogenetic female) produced milt and was able to fertilize eggs. Protective net covering over ponds improved paddlefish fry survival. Maintaining 0(2) levels of at least 5.5 ppm was critical for good fry survival. When inoculated into pond water, 95% of *Salmonella typhimurium* disappeared within 6 hours. *Salmonella* could be detected in *Tilapia* viscera but not in the dressed carcass.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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CRIS0078875

#### CULTURE SYSTEMS FOR YEAR-ROUND MARKETING OF FISH FROM WATERSHED PONDS

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Proj. No.: ALA00496

Project Type: EATCE

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 APR 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop techniques for producing, harvesting, and marketing aquacultural crops from watershed ponds throughout the year.

APPROACH: Channel catfish, tilapia, silver carp, and rainbow trout will be produced in watershed ponds up to 8.9 ha. Partial harvesting with cages, drop nets and corral seines will be evaluated to extend the marketing season and to improve cash flow.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. *Tilapia aurea* fingerlings cultured in cages at stocking rates of 400, 800, 1200, and 1600/m<sup>3</sup> for 92 days gained an average of 127, 124, 114, and 100 grams, respectively. The weight of fish in a cage was more important than the number; growth was reduced as the standing crop exceeded approximately 100 kilograms/m<sup>3</sup>. *Tilapia* in cages were fed a standard ration. One treatment received the daily allotment in one feeding; the other treatment had its daily ration divided into two feedings per day. After two months, fish fed once per day gained an average of 129 grams, those fed twice per day gained 149 grams, an increase of 16% due to feeding frequency. Blue tilapia (*T. aurea*) and golden hybrids (*T. hornorum* x *T. mossambica*) were cultured in cages. At harvest, male golden hybrids averaged 435 grams, while male blue tilapia averaged 288 grams. Female golden hybrids averaged 173 grams and female blue tilapia were 254 grams. Male golden hybrids and both male and female blue tilapia were 100% marketable (total length 19 cm) but only 67% of the golden hybrid females were marketable.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### A POLY-CULTURE SYSTEM OF FISH PRODUCTION FOR DISADVANTAGED FARMERS IN ARKANSAS

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Proj. No.: AR-X-PR-0006-858

Project Type: GRANT

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 10 MAY 74 To 09 MAY 79

OBJECTIVES: See Approach.

APPROACH: Feed and labor records will be kept and all species in the study will be harvested and marketed to arrive at a cost of production and returns.

PROGRESS: 74/05 TO 79/05. Polycultural fish production studies in small ponds (0.1 ha) have been supportive of the combined culture of channel catfish as the primary species along with "exotic" Chinese

carps, buffalo, bluegill, and largemouth bass. Concurrent experiments over four seasons of study have indicated substantially greater yields for polyculture combinations over monoculture stockings of catfish alone. Polyculture production yields are greater due to more efficient useage of the available food sources by a variety of compatible fish species. Total fish production in shallow ponds (1m) was equal to or greater than that in deep ponds (1.5m) for comparable systems, with catfish stocked at 3,150 fish/ha in each. Shallow ponds are less expensive to construct and operate as well as usually being better suited for rotation with rice or row-crops. Fish survival was high for all species used in mixed culture combinations with minimal disease or parasite problems. When warmwater pond water temperature remains below 18°C, rainbow trout may be produced in otherwise idle production ponds. Or, trout and catfish can be overwintered together, then the trout may be selectively harvested in the spring in the presence of catfish, which usually remain for production during the period when the water temperature exceed 21°C. There is a need for continued study to further determine the role of each species in mixed culture systems especially those of exotic carps, and predator-prey relationships.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 74/05 TO 79/05

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CRIS0045716

#### POLY-CULTURAL PRODUCTION OF FISH IN FARM PONDS

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Proj. No.: 7002-20380-001-A

Project Type:

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

Agency ID: ARS

Period: 07 SEP 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop management techniques for polycultural fish production in farm ponds that are adaptable to and will provide maximal fish yields for small acreage farmers.

APPROACH: Existing cooperators farm ponds of 2 acres or less with controlled stocking of channel catfish, largemouth bass, bluegill, buffalo, and fathead minnows will be evaluated relevant to costs for labor, chemicals, fish for stocking, controlled feeding, pond fertilization as based on age of pond, water source, disease problems, etc., and total production yields. Biotic and abiotic parameters in the ponds will be monitored for environmental changes and impact. Pond cage studies, coupled with intensive feeding, will be made to maximize harvestable catfish yields. Grass carp, *Tenopharyngodon idella*, will be tested for vegetation control in farm ponds in an attempt to reduce the need for chemicals and increase farm pond total fish yields.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This farm pond production study is on schedule with twelve ponds in South Central Arkansas prepared for a 3-5 year population development period. Data collection will commence during the spring 1981 following the stocking of all ponds with channel catfish, buffalo, grass carp, bluegill, largemouth bass and fathead minnows. Techniques of pond fertilization and fish feeding will be employed along with the use of cages in four of the ponds. Fish harvest will be recreational and commercial methods with production information collections based upon three different management approaches.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.011 CRIS0073005  
DEVELOP AND IMPROVE PRODUCTION AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS  
FOR FRESHWATER ANIMALS CULTURED FOR FODD

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Proj. No.: AR-X0901 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 APR 77 To 31 MAR 82

OBJECTIVES: Select and evaluate fish species combinations (polyculture) with potential for adaptation to extensive cultural environments (farm ponds). Incorporate the use of hybrid fishes (sunfish and buffalo) as well as species (Chinese carp) relatively new to pond culture to increase total fish production. Evaluate various environmental situations and management techniques for adaptation to polycultural fish production. Develop basic techniques and guidelines to provide fish culture information for low-income farmers as well as large commercial fish producers.

APPROACH: Establish several different combinations of fishes in 0.1 ha ponds and evaluate seasonal performance variations within each situation and among the combinations subjected to certain extensive cultural practices. Study possibilities of several hybrids and new species of fishes for adaptation to commercial fish farming.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. All experimentation and data collection for this project have been completed. Bigmouth X black and black X bigmouth buffalo hybrids were compared with bigmouth parentals when reared in polyculture with channel catfish, grass carp, and largemouth bass over a two-season period in 0.1 hectare ponds. Stocking rates per hectare were 2500 catfish, 30 grass carp, 100 bass, and 250 buffalo or buffalo hybrids. All fish harvested were of marketable size. Highest catfish yields and greatest total fish production were achieved with the polyculture combinations. Parental bigmouth buffalo appeared to be most satisfactory for this polycultural combination (over buffalo hybrids) with channel catfish as the primary species. Additional publications and termination report are forthcoming, pending additional data analyses.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NEWTON, S.B. 1980. Catfish Farming with Chinese Carps. Arkansas Farm Research Journal 29(1):78.

006.012 CRIS0076706  
BIOLOGICAL STUDIES WITH THE MOSQUITOFISH, GAMBUSIA AFFINIS, UNDER CULTURAL SITUATIONS

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Proj. No.: AR-X0959 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 06 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Investigate and refine pond culture techniques for production of mosquitofish. Develop techniques for stocking, harvesting, holding, and transporting of mosquitofish. Collect economic information for Mosquito Abatement District usage in mosquito control programs. Evaluate mosquitofish production systems for application to current pond production systems.

APPROACH: Use ponds and indoor tanks to improve culture techniques for mosquitofish, especially related to harvest and transportation methods for use as biological control agents against field mosquitoes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Preliminary studies have produced yields of over 224 kg per ha by multiple harvest of mosquitofish. Additional yields of 1122 kg per ha of companion food fishes have been harvested from polyculture combinations. Gambusia were maintained best in tanks by using a high exchange rate (5.7 L/min) of fresh water circulation. Fish survival was also aided by adding 0.2% NaCl by weight to holding tanks, with mechanical agitation of the water. A series of predator/prey aquaria and tank experiments are planned for Winter 1981. Both inter- and intra-specific predation will be examined.

Practical pond production studies and reproductive schedules will be monitored in 0.1 and 0.05 ha ponds during the 1981 growing season. Several publications are forthcoming on pond production, harvesting, handling, and holding of mosquitofish during 1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.013 CRIS0081624  
SHALLOW-WATER POLYCULTURE OF FISHES IN PONDS DESIGNED FOR ROTATION TO GRAIN CROPS

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UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS, PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS. 71601.  
Proj. No.: AR-X1043 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 29 MAY 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate polycultural fish production in shallow water ponds (average depth = 1 m); evaluate fish systems in conjunction with grain crop production for maximal utilization of marginal farmland; experiment with Chinese carps and hybrid carp for vegetation control and water quality effects in shallow fish ponds and document economic aspects of fish/grain crop rotational systems on marginal farmland.

APPROACH: Construct shallow fish ponds for economical use of marginal farmland to produce fish and grain crops through rotational management.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A fish/row crop rotation project was initiated in July 1980. Project efforts were directed toward facilities construction of 19 shallow ponds and related water supply systems for filling and draining the ponds. All construction aspects of the ponds were completed, as well as an 800 square foot feed and chemical storage building by mid-winter. In order to test the new system, a winter feeding study with fingerling channel catfish was conducted during November-March 1981. Fish/crop rotation experiments in shallow ponds will commence during the Spring, 1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.014\* CRIS0066365  
NUTRITIONAL ASPECTS OF AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-PST-3010-E Project Type: BACHELOR  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 10 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Learn more of nutrient requirements of crustacea, including such things as optimal dietary level of protein and the interrelationship of energy and protein in diets for juvenile and adult crustacea; develop the technology of better feed delivery systems, including encapsulation and other means of preventing nutrient loss by leaching.

APPROACH: A system for holding several hundred juvenile crustacea (or other aquatic animals) has been designed and built and will be installed in the Ecology Institute of the University of California at Davis. Experimental animals will be housed in this system with controlled water quality, temperature, light etc. Feeding experiments will be conducted according to established protocol, and will be based on our earlier work in this area.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Delivery of essential nutrients is the primary purpose of any animal ration. We have been able to demonstrate the failure of conventional shrimp and lobster in water soluble nutrients for periods long enough to assure effective delivery to the target animal. The loss due to leaching of riboflavin, choline, vitamin C, free amino acids and potassium was found to be rapid and independent of a ration's physical stability, regardless of the binding agent used in the diet. Losses of total nitrogen and trace minerals were found to be negligible when examined on a per gram



ration recovered basis. We have investigated the use of ethyl cellulose as a coating agent to retain water soluble nutrients in pelleted feeds. When the entire ration pellet was coated, minimal nutrient leaching occurred, even after 6 hours. Inclusion of individually coated micronutrients was less effective than total pellet coating for nutrient retention, but did help prevent losses due to leaching.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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006.015\* CRIS084225  
CRAYFISH IN CALIFORNIA RICE FIELDS: DIET, IMPACT ON RICE PRODUCTION AND POSSIBLE RETURNS IN HARVEST

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-4127 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 81 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To establish feeding habits of crayfish in rice fields with emphasis on their relationship to rice plants, insects, weeds and rice straw. To determine the extent of crayfish population development in California fields. To investigate the effect of crayfish on rice production and field damage. To examine the feasibility of a commercial fishery in the rice fields.

APPROACH: Extensive mark and recovery methods and behavioral observations will be done in rice fields. Stomach content analysis and observations will also be conducted in the lab. Population data will be correlated with figures on rice production and field damage. The feasibility of a fishery will be established from population data and simulated harvest.

006.016\* CRIS0067184  
CLEAR LAKE ECOSYSTEM ANALYSIS: THE FISHES

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-WFB-3205-B Project Type: EATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 JAN 75 To 31 DEC 79

OBJECTIVES: Study the ecology of game and nongame fishes of Clear Lake, centering around the recently introduced *Menidia* and devise a fisheries management plan for the lake.

APPROACH: Determine the ecological significance of Clear Lake tributaries, especially ephemeral ones, by comparative population analyses. Production of *Menidia* will be estimated by the method of Hamilton (1969). The effectiveness of *Menidia* as a biocontrol agent will be evaluated by studying its prey selectivity.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. This project was terminated this year, although analysis of data concerning the biology of the recently (1967) introduced Mississippi silversides in the lake is still proceeding by B. W. Li (now at Oregon State Univ.) and by W. W. Wurtsbaugh (Ph.D. thesis). Overall we have found that the silversides may be having some controlling impact on the populations of the pestiferous Clear Lake gnat but that its impact on gamefish populations and those of native nongame fishes has been negative or neutral. Similar effects, or worse, are expected in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta where the fish has just become established, and in numerous reservoirs.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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BROADWAY, J.E. and P. B. MOYLE 1978. Aspects of the ecology of the prickly sculpin, *Cottus asper* Richardson, a persistent native species in Clear Lake, California. *Env. Biol. Fish.* 3(4):337-343.

006.017\* CRIS0072302  
INTENSIVE CULTURE OF TILAPIA IN GEOTHERMAL WATERS IN THE SAN LUIS VALLEY, COLORADO

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Proj. No.: COL00067 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 FEB 77 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop techniques to spawn tilapia year-round and to have only males for rearing either through early sorting or through hybridization to produce all male offspring.

APPROACH: Brood fish will be held under various photoperiods to determine what length induces spawning and what length inhibits spawning. With controlled spawning to produce large numbers of offspring at the same time, grading to sort faster growing, and hence larger, males will be tried for accuracy in sorting sexes. Hybrid crosses will also be made to test for unusual sex ratios.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. No progress report this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

MAICLIE, M.A. 1979. Effects of Various Photoperiods on the Spawning of *Tilapia aurea*. M.S. Thesis, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, 41 pp.

006.018 CRIS0065908  
MINNOWS AS FORAGE IN THE FARM POND PRODUCTION OF FINFISH

BODOLA A; AGRIC & NATURAL RESOURCES; DELAWARE STATE COLLEGE, DOVER, DELAWARE. 19901.  
Proj. No.: DELX-PR-0002-3266/7 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 22 MAR 74 To 21 MAR 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine which minnow species can be satisfactorily utilized as forage in Delaware farm ponds. Determine the nature and extent of a "refuge" area required for continuous minnow production in the presence of predatory fish. Determine the optimum degree of fertilization of pond waters for maximum production of minnows. Determine which potentially marketable piscivorous finfish can be satisfactorily reared in Delaware farm ponds. Determine which permutations of the above result in maximum production of each of the finfish species determined in the previous objective.

APPROACH: During the execution of the program the literature will be thoroughly searched for information. State and Federal agencies will be consulted. For the implementation of the program pond owners will be contacted regarding use of their ponds. A series of 1/8 acre experimental ponds for close continuous study of the specific facets of the program will be constructed at Delaware State College.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. The year-long test for suitability of a minnow to be forage in farm ponds in Delaware was completed for the swamp darter, *Etheostoma fusiforme*. It survived well in the pond habitat and reproduced prolifically. The study to determine the optimum size of refuge for minnows in ponds with predatory fish indicated increased production of both predator and prey biomass with increase in refuge size. Refuges in the 9 x 15 meter pools ranged from a 1/2 meter band of aquatic plants along the pond's edge to a 2 meter band in increments of 1/2 meter. Experiments on selective feeding (preference) by largemouth bass and white perch on eight forage species were completed. A paper is currently being prepared. A pilot study of the feeding rates by week of certain predatory fish has been completed.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.019 CRIS0077158  
THE RESOLUTION OF SOME PROBLEMS ATTENDING THE  
EMPLOYMENT OF MINNOWS AS FORAGE FOR FARMPOUND FISHES

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RESOURCES; DELAWARE STATE COLL, DOVER, DELAWARE.  
19801.

Proj. No.: DELX-0003-79-2 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Find refuges acceptable to the farmpond owner and to prey minnows but which resist incursion by the large predatory fish. Find the size of refuge needed (ratio of the pond surface) to maintain a perennial population of prey minnows in the presence of predatory fish. Determine the suitable ratio of predatory fish to prey minnows to ponds area in the presence of refuges. Evaluate the two methods of producing finfish: By use of minnows and refuge. By use of bluegills and no refuge.

APPROACH: Present various refuges - artificial and natural - to minnows in an observation pool introduce a predatory fish and note which refuges are used the most. Set up a series of pools with increasing amounts of refuge. To this add 100 individuals of a suitable species of minnow and two large predators. Check at the end of a year for evidence of minnow survival and reproduction. Find the smallest effective refuge. Set up a series of similar sized pools complete with the preferred refuge of adequate size and minnows. Add predators to pools - one in pool 1, two in pool 2, etc. At the end of the year determine what combinations resulted in optimal gains. 4. Set up two sets of pools, one with the best o (3), the other with bluegills as per usual farm-pond practice. At end of year determine which method provided the results.

PROGRESS: 79/10 TO 80/09. Two papers were presented at the Bicentennial Meeting of the Association of Research Coordinators: "Selective Predation by Largemouth Bass on Eight Forage Fishes" and "The Effect of Refuge Size on Forage Production and Largemouth Bass Production in Small Ponds". In the former paper, selectivity by the bass was indicated by the greater consumption of certain species when a surfeit of each of eight or nine forage species was offered the predator. Always eaten were *Enneacanthus* spp.; *Fundulus heteroclitus* and *Umbra pygmaea*. Seldom eaten were *Fundulus diaphanus*, *Notropis chalybeus* and *Notropis procne*. *Gambusia affinis*, *Micropterus salmoides* fingerlings and *Pimephales promelas* were intermediate. The second paper showed that both predator and prey biomass were enhanced with increased refuges in ca 0.01 hectare pools. Refuges from 17% to 65% of pool surface. Predator biomass for the year increased steadily from 21.5% at least refuge to 40.5% at most refuge. Prey biomass from 4925 gms at least refuge steadily to 11660 gms at most refuge. Further, it was determined that the refuge area of a pool produced 131.5 g/m<sup>2</sup> of prey while the non-refuge area produced only 17.2 g/m<sup>2</sup>. The study of weekly feeding rates of *Esox niger*, *Micropterus salmoides*, *Morone americana* and *Pomoxis nigromaculatus* was concluded after a year. Results are currently being compiled. A preliminary study of relative productivities of weedless pools, pools including a refuge of dead branches, and one including a refuge of living plants was completed.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/10 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.020\* CRIS0064913  
UTILIZATION OF KRAFT MILL EFFLUENT FOR FISH  
PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01671 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 06 FEB 74 To 30 JUN 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the suitability of secondarily treated kraft effluent for fish growth and production. Establish the feasibility of utilizing pulp mill effluent as a medium for fish production systems. Determine the effects of intensive fish culture on the environmental quality of effluent waters.

APPROACH: Field and laboratory studies will be conducted to determine the effects of kraft mill effluent on warm water fish populations. An effluent channel coming from four oxidation ponds at the Budson Pulp and Paper Corporation Secondary Wastewater Facility will be surveyed for biological and chemical parameters. Studies pertaining to the influence of kraft effluents on fish growth, movement, distribution, food consumption, and food preference will be conducted in the effluent channel. Measurements obtained from populations inhabiting the channel will be compared to those obtained from naturally occurring populations. Fish will be contained within cages in order that growth and other measurements can be obtained from known individuals. This study should provide information as to the fitness of kraft effluents for warm water fish production.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/06. Terminated 30 Jun 1979.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.021\* CRIS0079914  
THE ECOLOGICAL IMPACT OF INTEGRATED CHEMICAL AND  
BIOLOGICAL AQUATIC WEED CONTROL

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OF FLORIDA, GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA. 32601.  
Proj. No.: FLA-FY-01987 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 78 To 31 DEC 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the impact of chemical/biological control on the fishery environment, and to ascertain the most desirable balance of vegetation versus open water that will maintain desirable water quality, fish growth and reproduction. Evaluate the feasibility of combining chemical and biological weed control in a natural lake and determine cost benefit ratios. Determine the effects of dense submersed aquatic weed growth on the recreational utilization, fish production and water quality of shallow inland Florida lakes.

APPROACH: Two lakes and 24 ponds will be utilized to test the above objectives, water quality, fish population, benthos, zooplankton, and phytoplankton will be analyzed in each habitat.

006.022\* CRIS0066524  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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PLAIN EXPT STA, TIFTON, GEORGIA. 31794.  
Proj. No.: GEO00254 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 05 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food. Nutrition; culture systems.

APPROACH: Studies will be conducted to determine protein, amino acid, energy, vitamin and mineral requirements of catfish and relate these requirements to environmental and cultural conditions and least-cost feed formulations. Polyculture studies will be conducted with species which can utilize effluent waste products from catfish tanks.



PROGRESS: 76/09 TO 78/12. Studies were conducted on the dietary protein, lipid, carbohydrate, thiamin, riboflavin, niacin, pyridoxine pantothenic acid, vitamin D, vitamin K, vitamin C, potassium and copper requirements of catfish and culture techniques for catfish, bait minnows, goldfish *Macrobachium* shrimp and American shad. Results indicated free amino acids and simple sugar were poorly utilized by channel catfish. High dietary levels of linoleic acid (4% of diet) had a growth depressing effect when compared to saturated fats. Studies were conducted on the relative values of various animal and plant protein sources in catfish diets. Cultural techniques and diets were tested for rearing American shad from egg to sub-adult size

PUBLICATIONS: 76/09 TO 78/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.023\*  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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ENTOMOLOGY-FISHERIES; GEORGIA CCASTAL PLAIN EXPT STA,  
TIFTON, GEORGIA. 31794.  
Proj. No.: GE000286 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 CCT 76 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop and Improve Production and Management Systems for Freshwater Animals Culture for Food. Genetics and Breeding.

APPROACH: Estimation of genetic parameters of commercially important characters. Selection of growth, viability, feed conversion, dressing percentage and fecundity. Selection will be made initially on fish raised in high-density tanks with subsequent evaluation in ponds. Development through individual and family selection of a genetically improved strain of channel catfish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. One generation of bi-directional selection for body weight and size uniformity has increased body weight and total length at 40 wks of age 22.2% and 9.2% and 9.2% respectively. The rates of decline in the downward line were 18.7% for body weight and 4.1% for total length. Family coefficient of variation for 40-wk body weight in the upward line was also 7% less than in the downward line. Fingerlings produced from 5-year old brood channel catfish weighed 20% less and were 8% shorter in total length than fingerlings produced from 3-year old brood fish. Multipletrait selected fingerlings were also 10.4% heavier in body weight and 3.3% longer in total length than unselected control fingerlings at 40 weeks of age. Genetic selection for growth rate will continue for several generations. One generation of inbreeding study with channel catfish resulted in 7.4% and 5.9% growth depression at 16 and 40 weeks of age, respectively. A study concerning the effects of albinism on growth of channel catfish indicated that normal fingerlings were in a 13% and 20% growth advantage over their full-sib albinos at 16 and 28 weeks of age, respectively. The albinos, however, possessed the ability to compensate in growth at 40 and 70 weeks of age.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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006.024\*  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

CRIS0071451

BILL T K; BROWN E E; CHESNESS J L;  
ENTOMOLOGY-FISHERIES; GEORGIA CCASTAL PLAIN EXPT STA,  
TIFTON, GEORGIA. 31794.  
Proj. No.: GE000283 Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and Improve Production and Management Systems for Freshwater Animals Cultured for Food. Nutrition. Water Quality. Diseases. Culture Systems. Evaluate the Economics of Production, Processing and Marketing of Freshwater Food Animals.

APPROACH: Practical diets for channel catfish and rainbow trout will be tested in raceways. Water quality in raceways will be monitored and removal of wastes investigated. Diseases and parasites problems associated with intensive cultures will be identified and treated. The double-crop concept of using CC in summer and RT in winter in raceways will be continued. Polyculture for increased production through wastes utilization will be evaluated. Complete costs and returns analyses will be developed for different levels of production and management.

PROGRESS: 76/09 TO 78/12. Research has been completed with a flowing water system for double-crop fish production in a closed system of raceways. Each raceway segment, ca. 30 m long by 4.5 m wide, was stocked with 3,000 rainbow trout (November - March) and 2,500 channel catfish (April - October) per segment and produced over 3/4 T. and 1 T. of trout and catfish, respectively, each year. Water temperatures for 20 or more days under 4°C reduced trout production significantly. Multiple harvesting of catfish resulted in higher net production of fish per raceway segment. Feed conversion for multiple harvested/stocked fish was 1.3:1; whereas, once harvested fish had a conversion of 1.5:1. Feed conversion ratios were higher for catfish fed a sinking feed than for those fed a floating feed. To facilitate management of waste products in raceways, tilapia were stocked with catfish at 50 and 100 half-pound tilapia. Although they increased in weight from 1/2 pound to 1.1 pounds per fish, the tilapia did not reproduce.

PUBLICATIONS: 76/09 TO 78/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

006.025\*  
EFFECTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINANTS ON GEORGIA FARM POND FISHES

CRIS0083648

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Proj. No.: GE000738 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 81 To 31 JAN 84

OBJECTIVES: Refine an adenylate (ATP, ADP, AMP) assay procedure for determining energy charge (ATP + 1/2 ADP divided by ATP + ADP + AMP) in farm pond fishes; Test the applicability of energy charge as a sensitive indicator of stress caused by various contaminants and water quality parameters associated with agricultural and forestry practices; Determine the capacity of farm pond fishes to acclimate to changes in pH.

APPROACH: In our Whitehall Laboratory energy charge values will be determined for fishes that are stressed by handling, by changes in temperature and dissolved oxygen, and by exposure to sublethal concentrations of insecticides and herbicides. Fishes will be tested using static and flow-through bioassay tests; Fish from low and neutral pH environments will be tested by first exposing them to a series of pHs and then transferring them directly to aquaria adjusted to low pH levels. For each acclimation group, median resistance time determined by probit transformation will be plotted against pH.

006.026  
SYSTEMS ANALYSIS OF INTENSIVE AQUACULTURE: A CASE STUDY OF OYSTER PRODUCTION

CRIS0074563

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Proj. No.: HAW00470S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: The overall goal is to generate information which can be useful for improving on the economic efficiency of commercial oyster production in the State. Specific objectives are: Conduct a feasibility study which will examine biological, technical, and economic parameters in an intensive oyster production system, and develop and analyze alternative management strategies for the current specie and system configuration.

APPROACH: A systems analytic approach will be followed in this study. A simulation model will be developed of the land-based oyster culture operations of the Kaku Seafood Plantation. This simulation model will incorporate the relevant biological, technical, and economic parameters of the operating system. The model will be used in the feasibility study and analysis of alternative management strategies.

PROGRESS: 77/11 TO 80/09. This study assessed the feasibility of land-based oyster aquaculture for Hawaii and examined the constraints which are likely to affect the development of an industry. Conclusions were: small scale land-based oyster culture is technically feasible. Commercial production on a limited scale is being attempted in Hawaii, but as yet, without sustained outputs. Opportunities to realize further efficiency gains through economies of scale are limited. Emphasis is on developing new management techniques within existing scales. Various uncertainties make it difficult for conventional commercial lending sources to assess the viability of oyster aquaculture ventures. Therefore, scale expansion will probably not be forthcoming.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/11 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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PRAWN AQUACULTURAL ENGINEERING

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Proj. No.: HAW00524 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop a harvesting system, including equipment and strategy, for the continuous production of prawn in Hawaii. Further investigate and evaluate high density nursery culture. Develop a post-harvest handling system for live prawn for both local and export market. Develop an engineering-economic analysis model to evaluate alternative prawn production systems.

APPROACH: Prototype harvesting equipment will be field tested and a suitable harvesting strategy developed. Experiments will be carried out to determine the effects of density and size on nursery mortality rates and growth rates. Storage and transportation of live animal under low temperature will be tested in the laboratory. An engineering economic analysis of prawn production using nursery stocking strategy and inventory pond will be performed to determine optimum harvesting strategy and facility requirements.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A simple net reel was designed and fabricated. It mounts on a standard three point hitch and is powered by the tractor hydraulics. Using the reel, one man can pick up or set a prawn harvesting seine for a 40 m wide pond in 5-10 minutes. The net reel is being field tested by local prawn farmers. Prawn physical dimensions of engineering significance, such as overall length, tail length, orbit length, height, width, and mass are being collected and analyzed. Relationships of various dimensions to orbit length and mass will be determined. Live transport of prawn was investigated. Life support was limited to bubbling air in water and temperature control. The initial 18 liter of water per 1 kg prawn was not changed or filtered. Dissolved

oxygen was above 7.0 ppm and temperature 16 to 18 degrees C. No mortalities were experienced in the first 20 hours. Two replications did not have a mortality for 114 hours. If the initial mortality was not removed, the mortality rate increased rapidly. Conditioning and selection of prawn before transport appear significant to the length of transport allowed.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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006.028\* CRIS0077715  
OYSTER PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENT

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Proj. No.: HAW00528-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop a system for flushing and cleaning stacked oyster trays of pseudofeces; ideally without breaking open the stacks.

APPROACH: In depth review of literature covering applicable methods and technology. Determine physical and hydraulic properties of oyster at different stages of growth. Design and testing of prototype equipment.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A prototype oyster cleaning and sorting equipment was designed and constructed. Preliminary tests were conducted on the mechanical oyster cleaner by varying the oyster feed rate, water flow rate, and water pressure. It was found that the oyster cleaner provides satisfactory cleaning for oysters of length greater than 2.5 cm (1 inch). It can clean 250 marketable oysters per minute (about 30 bushels per hour or 680 kg per hour). A water flow rate of greater than 1.58 L/s (25 GPM) and a water pressure of 103 kPa (15 psi) are required. It was found that a 6-inch diameter by 50-foot long parallel rollers can effectively size artificially grown oysters. The prototype sizer can size oysters satisfactorily at a feed rate of 200 marketable oysters per minute (about 24 bushels per hour or 540 kg per hour) at a roller inclination of 175 rad (10 degrees).

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

WANG, J.K. and YOW, K.W. 1980. Analysis of Oyster Production in Hawaii. Paper Presented at the ASAE Summer Meeting, San Antonio, TX. ASAE Paper 80-5047.  
YOW, K.W. and WANG, J.K. 1980. Mechanical Cleaning and Sorting of Hawaiian Cultured Oysters. Paper Presented at the ASAE Winter Meeting, Chicago, IL. ASAE Paper 80-6502.

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AQUACULTURAL WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION IN HAWAII

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Proj. No.: HAW00531-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Characterize effluent quality (organics and inorganics) of aquacultural pond; determine the role of oxygen demand in the water column of the pond; explore the appropriate control of oxygen concentration in the pond; explore the appropriate treatment alternatives in order to control water quality and water reuse of pond effluent.

APPROACH: Establishment of data collection plan, sample collection and analysis of wastewater characterization. Conduct oxygen demand study in the field and laboratory and establishment of the



relationship between oxygen consumption rate and available oxygen demand material in the pond. Search available techniques and develop new ways to control oxygen level in the ponds. Conduct laboratory and pilot plant study on the treatment alternative for water quality control and water reuse of pond effluent.

PROGRESS: 80/03 TO 80/12. Investigations were conducted into the qualitative and quantitative nature of the water column oxygen demand of prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*) grow-out ponds. It was found that the water column oxygen demand represented between 48 to 87% of the total pond oxygen loss at night. A good correlation existed between the oxygen uptake rate and the total COD, particulate COD, suspended solids, volatile suspended solids and secchi disk depth measurements of the water column. Water quality management guidelines and procedures regarding oxygen demand in the pond were developed. This will provide a more positive control of the causes of oxygen depletion in the prawn production ponds and reduce the damage of cost of prawn production. Characterization of effluent quality (organics and inorganics) of aquacultural pond and the appropriate treatment alternatives for controlling water quality and water reuse of pond effluent are under investigation.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/03 TO 80/12

LOSOLDO, T.M. 1980. An Investigation of the oxygen Demand Materials of the Water Column in Prawn Grow-out Ponds. M.S. Thesis, Univ. of Hawaii, Honolulu, 100 pp.

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PRAWN AQUACULTURE PROGRAM - BIOLOGICAL BASIS OF PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: HAW00250-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: To aid the development of an improved feed and better feed management; to aid the development of management strategies for crises associated with low oxygen levels in ponds; to test management strategies emphasizing the pattern of growth (observed size-frequency distribution) in pond populations of prawns; to contribute to the controlled domestication of prawns; and to aid the development of alternative stocking and harvesting strategies and management systems.

APPROACH: To determine oxygen budget and nutrient flux to simulated pond ecosystems; to size grade prawn populations and test them against ungraded groups; raise and compare growth of individuals under a variety of confinements; determine tolerances and growth to low fluctuating dissolved oxygen and temperature; assess the degree of domestication between cultured stocks and wild ancestors; estimate the heritability of size variation using analysis of variance in full and half sib families; and compare larval growth among genetic groups.

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IMPROVEMENT OF OGO PRODUCTION AND MARKETING IN HAWAII

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Proj. No.: HAW00688 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CEES Period: 24 APR 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Inventory the current OGO (*Gracilaria*) industry its problems and potentials. Identify and appraise the environments of potential production areas in Hawaii. Experimentally grow *Gracilaria* in those areas and seasonally determine its market values and growth rates. Adapt methods of algal farming used elsewhere to selected areas and develop recommendations for pest and fertilizer control, and marketing. Demonstrate adapted farming technologies

and provide technical advice with the aim of inducing *Gracilaria* farming in USA.

APPROACH: Analyze the results of interviews with the people now active in the *Gracilaria* industry to appraise the industry in Hawaii and elsewhere. Survey the environments of potential farm sites in Hawaii to select the more favorable and enlist owner interest. Monitoring test plantings to yield growth rates and market quality during the seasons will permit selection among the sites. Adapt farming methods in use elsewhere for optimal production and market plans at the selected sites. Demonstration plots at suitable sites, discussions with the nearby people, and technical help will be used to get farming initiated and stabilized.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The local *Gracilaria* fresh vegetable market shortage has continued. Curiously, quality and form variations have been found in the course of the seasonal study that seem to follow quickly upon changes in the environment. Thus, the correlated studies of the environments and growth rates are being continued and an experimental program added with additional appropriate measurements to elucidate the nature of these phenomena. Experiments to shorten the lag time observed in the harvesting methods used to date have been begun. These, in short, are primarily experimental harvesting by cutting off only certain of the longest more central branches of the thalli with the controls being the complete abbreviation of the thalli found to be the most favorable among the earlier harvest methods recommended as management practice. The work has been extended from Oahu to the island of Molokai under such staffing conditions that an equitable amount of effort may be spent on both as success in farming progresses. Interestingly, the *Gracilaria* species from Molokai are different both in form and gel nature from those on Oahu. This is hard to understand in view of the wide geographic distribution of the two principle species and so by transplanting experiments explanations are being sought.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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FISH CULTURE USING GEOTHERMAL WATER

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0057 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Assess the economic feasibility of raising fresh water fin fish in geothermal waters.

APPROACH: The objective will be attained by raising carp and channel catfish in natural geothermal waters and in non-geothermal waters. The growth rates, hematological parameters, bioaccumulations of heavy metals, and proximate analyses of white muscle will be measured and used as validating criteria.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Use of thermal effluents for aquaculture has received increasing interest from fish culturists for reducing production costs and from industry for productively exploiting energy rich waste streams, however, the culture of fish directly in geothermal water is an emerging field. Geothermal discharges represent a large thermal energy source for continuously maintaining the temperature of culture fluids while providing a constant source of water for year-round intensive culture of warmwater fish species. The commercial potential for geothermal aquaculture was evaluated for 2 years at the Department of Energy's Raft River geothermal site in Southcentral Idaho. Common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) and channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*) were selected as culture species. Objectives included investigation of growth rates; nutrition trials; histological and physiological parameters; bioaccumulation of heavy metals, and reproductive capacity. Growth rates of cultured channel catfish and common carp were high throughout the study. Various physiological and morphological parameters were monitored; no differences were detected between fish reared in

geothermal or fresh water. Tests were designed to evaluate the reproductive capacity of common carp (*Cyprinus carpio* L.) reared directly in geothermal water. In 1988, two groups of females were naturally induced to spawn.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

SULLIVAN, J.F. and BELEAU, M.H. 1979. Potential for Using Geothermal Resources for the Culture of Freshwater Fish. Trans. Exp. Geotherm. Front. 3:689-692.

WOIWODE, J.G. 1980. Studies on the Effects of Geothermal Water on the Reproductive Capacity of Common Carp (*Cyprinus carpio* L.) at the East River Geothermal Site, Idaho. M.S. Thesis. Univ. Idaho, Moscow. 39 pp.

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**ADULT FALL CHINOOK TRAPPING FOR SNAKE RIVER EGG BANK PROGRAM**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0077 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 19 AUG 80 To 31 DEC 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Trap one half of the fall chinook salmon run (or up to 400 fish) which passes Ice Harbor Dam. Transport them to hatcheries in Washington and Idaho for use in an egg bank program.

**APPROACH:** To accomplish our objective we installed a trap near the top of the south shore fish ladder at Ice Harbor Dam. This trap was operated from September 2, 1980 to October 8, 1980. We collected 394 adult fall chinook. One hundred ninety-eight (198) fish were hauled by truck to the Tucannon Fish Hatchery (Washington Department of Game) in S.E. Washington and 196 to Dworshak National Fish Hatchery in northern Idaho. The eggs from these fish will be used to supplement wild Snake River Fall chinook runs which have fallen to perilously low numbers.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. The fall chinook salmon trap was installed in the south shore fish ladder at Ice Harbor Dam on September 2, 1980 and removed October 9, 1980. During that period, Idaho Cooperative Fishery Research Unit personnel trapped and transported 394 adult and 20 jack chinook salmon for use in the Snake River fall chinook egg bank program. The 394 adults transported comprised 35 percent of the estimated 1126 adult fall chinook counted over Ice Harbor Dam in 1980. Dworshak National Fish hatchery received 195 adults between September 3 and October 2 and Tucannon Fish Hatchery manager, we also hauled 10 jacks to each hatchery to provide a larger source of sperm for early egg takes. Fish were hauled in a 1000 gallon recirculating refrigerated tanker supplied by Dworshak National Fish Hatchery. The trap was operated during the daylight hours only from approximately 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. We used a cut off length of 24 inches for jacks rather than 20 inch length used at the Ice Harbor counting window because Tucannon Hatchery personnel have stated that a high percentage of fish below 24 inches are males. Our counts at the trap indicated that when we were operating, 75 percent of the steelhead and 57 percent of the adult chinook counted at the south shore counting station near the base of the ladder passed through the trap. We passed 22 percent more jacks than the counting station as a result of the 24 inch rather than 20 inch designation for jacks.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

BJORNEN, T.C. and RUDY E. RINGE. 1981. Fall chinook trapping at Ice Harbor Dam, 1980, Summary of Operation. Report to U.S.F.W.S. Areas Office, Boise. 3 pp.

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**EVALUATION OF METHODS FOR INCREASING NATIVE CUTTHROAT STOCKS IN NORTHERN IDAHO**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0003 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JUL 66 To 01 JAN 89

**OBJECTIVES:** Ascertain ecological factors limiting production of cutthroat in northern Idaho. Develop management techniques to maximize production of cutthroat.

**APPROACH:** Survey St. Joe River drainage to locate cutthroat rearing areas and classify them as to quality. Study ecology of cutthroat trout with special emphasis on movements, growth, and seasonal distribution. Evaluate squawfish as a potential predator and competitor for cutthroat.

**PROGRESS:** 76/01 TO 76/12. We studied the fish and fisheries of three Northern Idaho streams to assess the impact of catch-and-release (Kelly Creek), trophy-fish (upper St. Joe River), and standard (North Fork of the Clearwater River) angling regulations on native cutthroat trout populations. Since the initiation of the special regulations, cutthroat abundance increased in Kelly Creek (7-fold) and the upper St. Joe River (3- to 7-fold), but has not changed on the North Fork. The mean size of the cutthroat, the number of large cutthroat, and the catch rate of cutthroat per hour have increased as a result of the special regulations. The annual mortality rates of cutthroat declined and allowed more cutthroat to mature and spawn. The catch of cutthroat by anglers increased, but the angler harvest of cutthroat decreased. Angler effort declined initially, but had recovered by 1975 to 20% of 1969 effort on Kelly Creek and to 100% of 1969 effort on the upper St. Joe River. Characteristics of anglers fishing Kelly Creek (angling method, age, sex, residency) and the upper St. Joe River (method, residency) changed since the special regulations. Tagged cutthroat migrated from the study areas to overwinter in the lower drainage and returned the following spring and early summer. Multiple recaptures of tagged cutthroat was common during the summer.

**PUBLICATIONS: 76/01 TO 76/12**

JOHNSON, T. H. and T. C. BJORNEN. Special angling regulations in the management of cutthroat trout in northern Idaho streams. Job Performance Report, Project F-59-R-7, Idaho Fish and Game Department. 1977.

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**EVALUATION OF JUVENILE SALMON AND STEELHEAD DENSITY AS RELATED TO DENSITY OF SPAWNERS AND FRY RELEASE**

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Proj. No.: IDA-CFU-0047 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 JAN 77 To 30 MAY 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate data collected on the density of juvenile salmon and steelhead in good and marginal nursery streams following small spawning escapements (such as 1974, 1975, and 1976) and with larger escapements. Evaluate data on the impacts and success of releasing large numbers of steelhead fry into nursery streams and compare with survival obtained in other streams.

**APPROACH:** Select transect areas in good and marginal areas were counted in 1975 and 1976 with snorkel gear. The data was analyzed and a report is in preparation. Steelhead fry were released in selected study streams to evaluate movements, growth, survival, competition with natural fry. Data on this segment of study will be analyzed and a report prepared.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Juvenile steelhead densities decreased from 1975-77 and increased in 1978. Age I and O steelhead densities for the four years correlated ( $r = .62$  to  $.89$ ) with the respective adult escapements. Densities of fry in tributaries in August ranged from 0.0 to 92.0/100 m<sup>2</sup>. Streams that did not receive hatchery fry had the largest (92.0 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup>) and also the smallest densities (0.0



fry/100 m<sup>2</sup>). Highest mean densities (44.1 fry/100 m(2)) were associated with streams that had both hatchery and wild fry. Streams with only wild fry had mean densities of 33.8 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup> and streams (2) that had only hatchery fry had densities of 7.3 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup>. Steelhead fry densities of 20-40/100 m(2) and probably higher may be expected in fully seeded rearing areas. Tributaries in 1978 that had hatchery fry introduction o 520 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup> were below fry densities needed to fully seed the rearing areas. If steelhead fry are available, stocking at a rate of 100 fry/100 m<sup>2</sup> may be needed to insure full seeding of the rearing areas. Fish movement through traps in Post Office and Weir Creeks, 1977-78, was highest when traps were installed in early July, then decreased near the end of July and through August. Nearly all movement of age I and older steelhead ceased in August with the exception of fish movement associated with freshets.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

MAHHOTT, L. BRENT. 1981. Density and habitat of wild and introduced juvenile steelhead trout in the Lochsa River Drainage, Idaho. Masters Thesis. University of Idaho. 94 pp.

#### 006.036\* CRIS0073360 INVESTIGATION OF AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS IN SMALL PONDS

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Proj. No.: IND059044 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the interactions in the Plankton community of small impoundments; investigate the relationship of plankton to young fish; evaluate the effect on fish populations of ecosystem changes.

APPROACH: Ecosystem measurements will be made in the field. A time series of population data will be used to evaluate interactions in the plankton community. Fish population on plankton will be determined by comparing populations from ponds containing no fish with populations from ponds with young fish. Adult fish populations status will be monitored and changes resulting from natural or induced disruptions measured.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The farm pond is an important aquatic ecosystem in the midwestern United States. Fish population imbalances in ponds are often caused by wide variations in the size of predator or prey year classes. These variations can be the result of fluctuations in larval mortality. Food availability and competition for food are the primary determinants of larval mortality and growth. Experiments conducted at various prey levels showed survival as a function of prey density was different for bluegill, green sunfish, and large mouth bass. Green sunfish survival was superior to either bluegill or bass. Bluegill survival improved as prey density increased, but bass had a low survival at most prey levels. The influence of competition between bluegill and green sunfish on their natural diet was investigated in a series of partitioned areas in a local pond. The presence of interspecific competition did not alter the diet of either species, but competition with older individuals produced major dietary shifts. In a study on the genetics of channel catfish, triploidy was induced by cold-shocking fertilized eggs. The triploid catfish are as viable as their diploid full sibs and tolerate the polyploidy condition well. Evidence for an increased growth rate due to triploidy and due to the lack of sexual maturation in sterile triploids was noted.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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LIEBY, G.S. and HOLLAND, L.E. 1980. The Use of Periodic Light Applications of Ketone as a Management Technique for Small Impoundments. Purdue Univ., Water Resources Research Center, Tech. Report No. 132. 30 pp.

#### 006.037 CRIS0079173 BIOLOGICAL DATA FOR MANAGEMENT OF WALLEYES AND OTHER FISHES

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Proj. No.: IOW02378 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 79 To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: Summarize and publish in Volume 3, the available data on the Perciform fishes other than the Centrarchidae; maintain a bibliography so that the original references and data can be readily located; maintain a cross index to the literature on all species so that future revisions can be prepared; develop and demonstrate methods of utilizing the data.

APPROACH: The systems of recording and tabulation used in volumes 1 and 2 of "Handbook of Freshwater Fisheries Biology" will be followed for Volume 3 but possibilities of using computer programs will be investigated. Newer methods of representing growth rate will also be incorporated in the study. Data will come from all available publications and special reports.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. In the last 15-20 years many scientists have apparently used body-scale regressions as predictive equations in calculating lengths from scale measurements. This practice is contrary to previous methods and results in greater variance because differences in scale size are not properly adjusted. I prepared a paper cautioning scientists on the method, which is to be published in January 1981, and presented two papers at national and regional meetings. Two additional papers on standardization of methodology have been prepared for submittal. Material for Volume 3 of the Handbook of Freshwater Fishery Biology and for revision of Volumes 1 and 2 has been recorded as the publications arrive. Tabulation and manuscript preparation has proceeded on the section on white perch, Morone americanus, and is about half completed.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12 NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 006.038\* CRIS0082533 FACTORS AFFECTING FISH POPULATIONS IN IOWA WATERS

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Proj. No.: IOW02465 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 31 JUL 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: To determine the factors influencing fluctuations in abundance of selected populations. To identify man-made habitat alterations that impact or enhance environmental conditions for aquatic life. To increase understanding of environmental contaminants transport and dynamics. To evaluate fishery management techniques aimed at enhancing fishery quality or productivity.

APPROACH: Research will consist of field and laboratory studies on the life history, environmental requirements, and population dynamics of fish species in Iowa waters. Data on environmental contaminants in fish and their habitats will be obtained by standard analytical procedures. Established methods for population assessment will be used to determine the effects of various management techniques.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. Two individual studies were conducted within the scope of this project: one dealing with pesticide residues in the Des Moines River and another concerned with the propagation of walleyes, Stizostedion vitreum, (propagated walleyes may be stocked so as to manipulate resident fish populations). Concentrations of dieldrin and DDT in muscle tissue of carp, Cyprinus carpio, from the Des Moines River, Iowa, were compared relative to month of collection, age of fish, and sampling location. Statistically significant differences were observed for all three factors. Expression of pesticide levels on the basis of wet weight of flesh often produced different results than when comparisons were made on a fat basis. Samples from reservoir locations tended

to have higher dieldrin levels than samples from riverine locations. However, no similar trend was detected for DDT levels. Walleye fry fed a mixture of a diatom (*Melosira* sp.), decapsulated brine shrimp eggs, and dry feed (W-7) exhibited higher survival rates than those fed any of these items alone or in pairs. Walleye fingerlings were reared in ponds to a length of 35 mm and successfully transferred to hatchery production units. Substantial mortality occurred later, apparently due to stress from subsequent handling. Acceptance of dry feed by walleye fingerlings was highest in those rearing units in which water flow patterns held the feed in suspension for the longest times. Research in the coming year will proceed along similar lines for each study.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12

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#### WATER QUALITY ENHANCEMENT OF LAKES BY MECHANICAL PUMPING

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OBJECTIVES: Enhance water quality of lakes by in situ aeration with an axial-flow, mechanical pump. Specially, pumping will be done to increase total content of dissolved oxygen, and to decrease the concentration of organic matter, and the toxic substances, namely ammonia and hydrogen sulfide.

APPROACH: Dissolved oxygen, BOD, hydrogen sulfide and ammonia will be measured by standard procedures at intervals and depths which will allow characterization of total mass of these chemical characteristics of water quality. Pumping will be done with an axial-flow mechanical pump of the Quintero-Garton design. Evaluation will be done on the basis of changes in these water quality variables and improvement in species diversity of aquatic life.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An axial-flow pump of the Quintero-Garton (1968) design, with a 120-cm diameter impeller, was operated on McFarland Lake, Story County, Iowa from 13 May through 22 October 1980 to prevent normal summer stratification. The temperature, and concentration of dissolved oxygen, chlorophyll a, BOD, CO(2), B(2)S, total phosphate, and orthophosphate were measured once each month at three sample sites in the lake and at each depth contour from 1 to 5 meters. During mid-summer, when expected temperature and chemical stratification in this lake would be substantial, maximum temperature difference was less than 2.0 C, and the substrate of the lake was warmed nearly 10 C over the expected temperature without artificial destratification. Without pumping, the lake would be anoxic below 4 meters, but with pumping, oxygen in the deepest contour was never less than 1.6 mg/l (25 June) and otherwise between 2.1 and 3.6, June through August. Long-term trends in lake improvement could be seen by comparing conditions occurring in the summers of 1978, 1979, and 1980. BOD values for the summer of 1980 were about half that of previous two summers and Chlorophyll a concentration in the surface (0-1 meter) stratum of the lake for the June through August period was the lowest of the years. Transparency (Secchi disc) was higher than in previous years.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### BREEDING, PRODUCTION, NUTRITION AND MARKETING OF CHANNEL CATFISH

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OBJECTIVES: Obtain quantitative data on the growth rates of selective strains of channel catfish and the reaction of selected strains to different dietary formulations. Identify interaction of growth rates, diets and pond water quality degradation. Quantify water quality parameters associated with pond degradation and develop methods of maintaining water quality. Develop methods for product storage and flavor quality.

APPROACH: Earthen ponds will be used to replicated experiments to test diets against four strains of channel catfish. Growth rates will be used to compare the effect of diet on strain performance and for between-strain performance using a factorial arrangement of treatments. Full and half sib analysis will be used to compare within-strain performance. Dietary treatments will include evaluation of protein quality and quantity. Effect of diets with different nutrient densities involving nutrients such as vitamins and minerals will be evaluated in relationship to protein levels.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/06. Ponds treated with cobalt chloride as a trace component of fertilizer were not found to produce more channel catfish than control ponds. Cobalt chloride was added to the diet of channel catfish to determine if vitamin B(12) could be spared by the addition of this trace mineral. No significant difference was recorded in growth rates of fish receiving normal amounts of B(12) and those fish receiving cobalt in place of B(12) in purified diets. Significant differences were found in serum proteins between three of five populations of catfish. Additional differences in these populations were found in serum esterase patterns. It was concluded that the population of channel catfish in the White River, Arkansas and the Blue River, Kansas, were different from each other and from the other three populations examined. A domestic population from Arkansas, a domestic population from Kansas and wild population in the Kansas River, Kansas.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/06

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#### DEVELOPMENT OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED YIELD IN KANSAS FARM PONDS

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OBJECTIVES: Develop procedures of obtaining sustained yield of edible fish in Kansas farm ponds.

APPROACH: A number of ponds will be cleared of fish and then restocked and managed with various species and practices.

PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 77/12. The study continued into its fifth year. The 30 study ponds were checked periodically and physical & chemical data were collected. The previous year had been very dry & most of the ponds were low. Some of the ponds experienced a winterkill. Then during summer there were several periods of excessive flooding and numerous fish washed out of the ponds. Due to these problems much of the year was spent in readjusting the population and allowing them to build up through reduced harvest.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 77/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.



006.042 CRIS0084700  
MECHANIZATION OF CRAWFISH HARVESTING AND PRODUCTION

EDLING R J; AGRI ENGINEERING; LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, EATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. 70803.  
Proj. No.: LAB02184 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 81 To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: Develop one or more methods to mechanically harvest crawfish. Mechanize and develop aeration, water management and other systems for crawfish production.

APPROACH: The development of one or more mechanical harvesters and other mechanical devices will relate to practical application needs. The primary harvesting method to be pursued is formulated around a relatively expensive baited trap. The trap design permits easy entrance but makes exit difficult. The added entrance-exit design requirements and the stronger construction needed for mechanical handling make the trap relatively expensive. The expense is defrayed by highly efficient use, characterized by frequent movement. A large number of trap placements per unit area and the frequent movement of the traps will be feasible with a mechanical carrier. The carrier will be self propelled and programmed with timers to remain stationary for given time periods and to move given distances. A device will be made to lower, raise and invert the trap for emptying. Crawfish will be deposited in an inclined pipe through which they will be transported by a stream of water to the end of the wide-span carrier. A linear move irrigator may serve as a carrier and would also be used to aerate the water.

006.043\* CRIS0055844  
ECOLOGICAL STUDIES WITH RED SWAMP CRAWFISH AND WHITE RIVER CRAWFISH

AVAULT J W; FORESTRY & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT; LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, EATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. 70803.  
Proj. No.: LAB01192 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 11 AUG 64 To 31 OCT 80

OBJECTIVES: Study factors influencing ecology of crawfish, such as temperature, season, water quality and depth, vegetation, soil type, and agricultural practices, in relation to feeding, growth, reproduction, behavior, populations, diseases, predators, and competitors.

APPROACH: Experiments will be set up in aquaria to determine temperature tolerance of crawfish. Past crawfish production records for certain areas will be compared to weather records. Small ponds will be stocked with crawfish and effects of water level fluctuations studied. Crawfish movements will be studied in laboratory and in the field. Methods for food habits studies will be developed and applied in the laboratory. Water from natural crawfish habitats will be analyzed. Natural crawfish populations will be studied in relation to soil fertility. Population dynamics of crawfish will be studied, including mortality and predators. Crawfish carrying capacity will be determined from small ponds.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/10. Studies conducted during reporting period on influence of pesticides, rice residue, and planted rice on crawfish production indicated: No differences in growth, survival and yield of crawfish in tanks planted with untreated rice, planted with untreated rice, or planted with treated rice plus receiving Propanil, Ordram and Furadan. No pesticide residues were detected in flesh. In lab studies, a combination of Propanil, Ordram and Furadan was more toxic to crawfish than any single pesticide. After rice was harvested in crawfish ponds the stubble was left standing (S), baled (H) and added back to ponds periodically, or disked (D) into the soil. Half the ponds were flooded early (E), Sept. 20, and half late (L), Oct. 10. Crawfish in S, H and D ponds grew to 19, 18, and 17 g respectively. Crawfish in E and L flooded ponds grew to 92 and 83 mm in length, respectively. Rice straw decomposed fastest in E ponds, followed by S and D

ponds, with weight loss of 77, 67, and 49%, respectively, after 5-months. Dissolved oxygen was consistently higher in E flooded ponds than in L flooded ponds; 18 weeks after flooding, periphyton in g/m<sup>2</sup> was E 337, L 216, S 358, H 333, D 307. Ponds containing crawfish were planted with or without rice. Ponds with no rice receiving range pellets (crude protein 9.0%) from Sept. 25 to May 3 produced 881 kg of crawfish/ha. Ponds with rice receiving range pellets from March 1 through May 3 produced 2016 kg.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/10

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006.044\* CRIS0056869  
IMPROVEMENT OF CATFISH STOCK THROUGH SELECTIVE BREEDING

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Proj. No.: LAB01524 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 70 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Improve catfish stock, used in fish culture, by selective breeding for fast growth rate, high dressing percentage, and other desirable traits.

APPROACH: Initially, five spawns of channel catfish will be collected for each of four populations from diverse areas of the southeastern United States. Each spawn will be stocked separately in a pond. At maturity male and female sibs will be mated for each of the four populations. All possible crosses and reciprocal crosses between the four populations will be made. Ultimately, it is hoped to develop inbred lines for crossing.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Fifteen channel catfish families from the Yazoo strain and eight from the LSU strain were tested for genetic variability in mortality rate at a low level of dissolved oxygen (1.1 ± 0.01 mg/l). Channel catfish fry of both strains ranging from 2 to 10 days of age were administered low dissolved oxygen shock tests for 10-hour periods following 12-hour acclimation. There was no significant difference (P greater than 0.05) between the LSU and Yazoo strains in mortality. Test fish of each strain averaged 63% mortality during the shock tests. No significant differences (P greater than 0.05) were detected among the age groups of fry (3 and 4; 5 and 6; 7 and 8; and 9 and 10 days old). There were highly significant (P less than 0.01) and significant (p less than 0.05) intra-class correlations among the families. These led to high heritability estimates for the trait of being resistant to low dissolved oxygen. The heritability estimates ranged from 0.9 ± 0.3 to 1.7 ± 0.1. These inflated heritability estimates were probably due to excess environmental effects common to each family. Based on the high intra-class correlations for low-DO resistance found in this study, one could probably select among 2 to 10-day-old channel catfish fry for the trait of being resistant to low DO. It is not known, however, whether the ability to resist low DO at these ages will hold for the same fish or family of fish at older ages, such as among grow-out fish

for the food market or brood fish.

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006.045\*  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: LAB01878 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 CCI 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve Production and  
Management Systems for Freshwater Animals Cultured  
for Food. Genetics and Breeding. Culture Systems.

APPROACH: Catfish. Improved strains of channel  
catfish will be developed through cross-breeding and  
progeny testing. Crawfish. Various agricultural  
by-products will be fed to rawfish in replicated  
ponds. Production per acre will be compared between  
treatments. Populations of crawfish will be monitored  
in ponds to determine management techniques. Various  
stocking rates and feeds will be tested with crawfish  
in tanks. Crawfish will be stocked together with  
various other species to determine best combinations  
for increasing production. Traditional trapping  
methods will be compared, and new methods, such as  
the use of electricity, will be tested.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research conducted on  
catfish management under well-aerated culture and  
prawn-catfish culture indicated: (1) Catfish were  
stocked into ponds at rates of 7,500, 15,000, and  
22,000 per ha. All ponds received aeration each day  
from 0200 hrs until 1 hr after sunset. In control  
un-aerated ponds, catfish were stocked at 7,500 per  
ha. Fish in all ponds were fed a commercial ration  
containing 36% protein. Production of catfish in  
kg/ha was: 2717 at a stocking of 7,500; 3,474 at  
15,000; and 5,277 at 22,000. In non-aerated ponds  
production was 1,870 kg/ha. (2) Prawns were stocked  
into ponds at rates of 25,000/ha, at 50,000/ha, and  
at 25,000/ha plus channel catfish fry at 75,000/ha.  
Ponds were also stocked with catfish fry only at  
75,000/ha. Prawns and catfish in all ponds were fed  
Purina catfish chow. Prawn survival, 22%, and  
production 265 kg/ha were greatest in ponds stocked  
at 25,000/ha. This production was much lower than  
that from 1979 study at a stocking density of  
25,000/ha. Overall, catfish survival was 33% and  
production was 695 kg/ha.

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006.046  
MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES FOR INCREASING CRAWFISH  
PRODUCTION

CRIS0082871

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STATE UNIVERSITY, EATON BOUGE, LOUISIANA. 70803.

Proj. No.: LAB02133 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Develop better methods of harvesting  
crawfish. Develop forage/feeding schemes to maximize  
crawfish yields. Multiple crop crawfish with rice,  
soybeans and other crops on the same lands. Improve  
methods of maintaining optimum water quality.

APPROACH: Most of the research will be carried out in  
replicated Louisiana Agricultural Experimental ponds  
using field-plot techniques. Outfield research will  
be conducted in commercial ponds. Pesticide research  
will be conducted in the field and in the lab.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During reporting period  
research continued on: improved methods of harvesting  
crawfish; evaluation of artificial baits for  
harvesting crawfish; and evaluation of two varieties  
of rice, Saturn and LaBelle with and without  
fertilizer, as forages for crawfish. Such research  
established under LAB01192 which was terminated 31  
Oct 1980.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.047\*  
EFFECTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AND MANAGEMENT  
PRACTICES ON COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF CRAWFISH

CRIS0083021

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Proj. No.: LAB0213E Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 80 To 31 DEC 85

OBJECTIVES: To delineate the major environmental  
factors that regulate production of crawfish in  
commercial ponds. To develop management strategies  
that optimize economic yields of crawfish from  
commercial ponds. To evaluate new management  
techniques developed by the La. Agricultural  
Experiment Station in commercial crawfish ponds.

APPROACH: Environmental factors that regulate  
production of crawfish in commercial ponds will be  
evaluated. Initial investigations will concentrate on  
water quality dynamics, effluent discharge  
determination of mineral requirements, and the  
effects of agricultural pesticides on crawfish. Decay  
dynamics of forage biomass will be assayed and its  
effects on crawfish population dynamics ascertained.  
Conventional traps and new trap designs will be  
tested for efficiency in harvesting. Forage research  
will concentrate changes in nutritive quality, biomass  
production and preference of vegetation types by  
crawfish.

PROGRESS: 80/11 TO 80/12. Harvesting crawfish with  
traps is the largest variable expense to commercial  
producers in Louisiana, generally comprising 40 to  
60% of the gross revenues. Six type of traps  
presently used in the commercial industry and three  
new trap designs are being evaluated for harvest  
efficiency in three commercial ponds during the  
1980-81 crawfish season. Concomitantly, trap  
placement, trap density, frequency with which traps  
are emptied and manipulation of environmental  
parameters, such as water circulation, are being  
investigated to ascertain those combinations of  
harvesting strategies that minimize cost and maximize  
catch. Seven commercial crawfish ponds are being  
sampled biweekly with dip nets, seines, and small and  
large mesh traps during 1980-81 season to quantitate  
growth, mortality, and recruitment patterns of  
crawfish populations. Seasonal changes in vegetation  
cover and plant species composition are being  
determined by the line-intercept method. These data  
along with catch and effort data supplied by  
cooperating producers are being used to develop a  
mathematical model capable of evaluating management  
strategies that optimize crawfish yields.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/11 TO 80/12



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006.048\* CRIS0067268  
ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS ON PRODUCTIVITY OF CRAYFISH IN  
POND HABITATS, PHASE I, II

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Proj. No.: LA-X-PR-0001-8-15-66

Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 29 OCT 74 To 28 OCT 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the type and amount of food that will yield the best production. Determine the most efficient harvesting method in small ponds. Investigate an early and extended crayfish season in small ponds.

APPROACH: Literature and cooperating personnel will supplement our selection of food types and amount during the feeding season. Standard nets, seines, modified traps and nets will be used. The possible use of chemicals and electric devices will be investigated. Systematic regulation of water will be maintained, to determine the possibility of increase and decrease of water level on an extended season. Statistical analysis will be made.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Feeding: Data obtained from the crayfish project indicated that feeding and fertilizing had great impact on productivity. Feed with a high protein percentage favored productivity, consequently, fish pellets are highly recommended in the feeding regimen. Harvesting: Four different traps were constructed and placed in water depth of 120, 80, 60 and 30 cm respectively. The total weight of each catch per trap was recorded. On the basis of results obtained, Type I trap with 1.5cm mesh wire construction, barrel shape design, 70cm long, 30cm wide with two funnel openings at the bottom is recommended for utilization from January through June. Dual Crop of Crayfish and Fish: 205 fingerlings of hybrid buffalo fish were added to each of the two crayfish ponds. Rice was planted in each pond. None of the fish reached market size over this phase of the investigation but the preliminary results indicate that it is feasible to rear crayfish and these fish in the same pond. Cost Yield Ratio: Based upon average crayfish price, net profits of \$85.82 in Pond I and \$338.83 in Pond II were realized, thereby indicating the feasibility of commercial crayfish production under small pond conditions.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.049\* CRIS0082633  
CRAWFISH CULTURE STUDIES IN SMALL PONDS: BURROWING,  
POLY-CULTURE AND NATURAL POND FLOODING

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Proj. No.: LA-X-81-2003-2044 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Determine the spatial and seasonal burrowing patterns of crawfish in small, open crawfish ponds. Assess the effectiveness of various techniques for facilitating successful burrowing of crawfish in crawfish ponds. Determine the effects of soil tilling practices on crawfish burrows in crawfish ponds. Determine the commercial feasibility of cultivating channel catfish and crawfish together in small, open south Louisiana crawfish ponds. Determine the commercial feasibility of using rainfall to flood crawfish ponds in south Louisiana.

APPROACH: Objectives 1, 2, 4 and 5 will be pursued in the four, one acre crawfish ponds located at Southern University. Objective 3 will be pursued in a nearby commercial pond. During the first two years, burrows will be marked and mapped on a biweekly basis and several types of materials will be tested to determine their effectiveness as burrowing facilitators. Also, during the first two years, marked burrows will be subjected to disking and

tractor-hush hog compaction early and late during the dry season to determine their impact on the occupants. In years 2 and 3, channel catfish will be stocked in test ponds after they have been filled with water in the fall. Catfish production and catfish impact on crawfish production will be recorded. In years 4 and 5, test ponds will be permitted to fill naturally in the fall and winter. The impact on this action on crawfish production will be measured.

006.050\* CRIS0080671  
NUTRITION MANAGEMENT AND DISEASE OF MARINE ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ME08398 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Formulate and evaluate minimal cost lobster rations, study gaffkemia in lobsters including vaccine evaluation and study lobster pound management. Compounded lobster baits will also be evaluated.

APPROACH: Lobsters will be fed diets of various types and growth will be monitored by measuring weight in water and weight in air. Lobsters will be vaccinated with live bacteria so that survival can be measured.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Practical diets formulated with brewer's yeast, fish meal, kelp meal, alfalfa and wheat flour were fed to adult and juvenile lobsters. The basal diet was supplemented with 20,000, 100,000 and 1,000,000 U.S.P. units of vitamin A per Kg of diet. Growth was greatest in lobsters fed 20,000 U.S.P. units of vitamin A per Kg with growth inhibition seen in lobsters fed the higher level supplements. Adult lobsters were injected with P 32 labelled aerococcus viridans, a fatal lobster pathogen, and the distribution of these bacteria in the animal's body was monitored. The bacteria were primarily phagocytized by the hepatopancreas.

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006.051\* CRIS0074202  
MATHEMATICAL MODEL OF OYSTER POPULATION IN THE  
CHESAPEAKE BAY

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Proj. No.: MD-E-057 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop a bank of pertinent data to study oyster productivity in the Maryland portion of the Chesapeake Bay. Develop a mathematical model for describing the production function of oysters, this model will incorporate economic and management factors affecting the productivity of an oyster bar.

Evaluate the effectiveness of the oyster repletion program in Maryland and suggest means of optimizing the operation.

**APPROACH:** A data bank will be established incorporating oyster catch, effort and spatfall data, and seed and shell planting data. This data will be stored on computer tape and coded so data is available by bar and is accessible by river basin code, oyster bar code, Davis code, NOAA code, by latitude and longitude or by official or common bar name. This and other data will be used to develop an oyster demand equation, catch effort equation and production function. The effects of existing catch limits will be determined. Existing oyster population size will be estimated and management alternatives determined.

**PROGRESS:** 77/11 TO 80/09. A computerized data bank was developed which contains Maryland oyster seed and shell plantings by bar from 1964 to 1975, natural oyster spatfall for 1955 to 1975, harvest and effort for 1964 to 1975 and several more general economic statistics such as ex-vessel price of oysters. The Maryland portion of the Chesapeake Bay was divided into 6 general areas. Production functions relating catch to effort, lagged spatfall, seed and shell plantings, were developed for each area. Fresh shell was the most successful cultch material with dredge shell being less efficient in catching spat. Seed plantings produced 12 to 19 bushels of marketable oysters per 100 bushels of seed planted depending on the area planted. The State run oyster repletion program returned about 300,000 bushels of marketable oysters per year for the approximately \$1,000,000 annual expenditure. Estimates of oyster population were made for each of the six areas for the beginning of the 1975-76 harvest year using the Leslie and Delury equations. Calculated rates of resource exploitation varied from 17 to 31 percent, depending on the area. Demand equations developed indicated oysters had an unitary demand elasticity. Effort equations developed showed that the boat-days of harvesting effort were stable over time for most river systems.

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WATER QUALITY MAINTENANCE IN CLOSED CYCLE FISH  
CULTURE SYSTEMS**

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Proj. No.: MD-R-058 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 78 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop design data for filtration systems to control water quality in closed cycle aquatic culture systems.

**APPROACH:** Several types of filters will be studied as a means of removing metabolic wastes from closed cycle fish culture systems. Laboratory tests with these filters will be carried out to develop design equations for the filters. Water quality data, physical data from the filters and biological data will be combined by statistical and mathematical techniques to produce equations, graphs and other results which can be used to design filtration systems for prototype and commercial fish culture systems.

**PROGRESS:** 78/01 TO 80/09. A venturi air injection system for mixing air and an aqueous solution of surfactant, triton X-100, was used on a foam fractionation system. Using similtude principles, surfactant extraction efficiency was determined as a function of four independent variables grouped into three pi terms: ratio of area of air holes to throat

area of venturi ( $A(H)/A(T)$ ), ratio of air flow rate to liquid flow rate ( $Q(A)/Q(L)$ ), and number of air holes ( $n$ ). The equations developed from the model predicted prototype triton X-100 extraction efficiency with 71% accuracy. Six of the eight equations necessary to combine 4 pi terms and their tests for applicability were worked out. A review of foam fractionation research has also been developed as part of this Project.

**PUBLICATIONS: 78/01 TO 80/09**

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CLOSED CYCLE FISH CULTURE WATER FILTRATION USING  
BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS**

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Proj. No.: MD-RK-066 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSKS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine efficiency of nitrification filters for closed cycle aquacultural systems as a function of various operating parameters. Determine effectiveness of aquatic plants in removing nutrients from aquatic closed cycle culture systems. Use the data gathered from objectives one and two above to develop design equations for nitrification and plant filters.

**APPROACH:** Design equations for nitrification filters will be developed by operating pilot scale filters using an inorganic nitrogen source. Filter inlet ammonia concentration, oxygen concentration, temperature and pH will be varied and the filter's efficiency for converting ammonia to nitrate monitored. Macroscopic plants will be used to filter water containing an inorganic nutrient mix. The nitrogen and phosphate concentrations, water temperature, water retention time in the filter, pH and physical filter dimensions will be varied and related to nutrient extraction rates. Light levels will be maintained at a constant value. Filter design equations will be developed from the data collected.

**006.054 CRIS0073525  
ECONOMICS OF BIVALVE MOLLUSK AQUACULTURE IN NEW  
ENGLAND**

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Proj. No.: MAS00415 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 OCT 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Construct biological response models; specify alternative plausible technical alternatives; combine biological and engineering components into production models; conduct marketing and demand analyses to determine marketing costs, price and income elasticities and gross revenues for different output levels; combine production and marketing analysis to determine economic feasibility of different systems at different individual plant scales and aggregate levels of output.

**APPROACH:** Generate a data base, develop cost of production estimates and provide subsystem modeling support in cooperation with Texas A&M University. Modify Texas A&M computer program to fit local conditions.

**PROGRESS:** 77/10 TO 80/10. Two activities have been carried out on cooperative projects supported by NOAA-Office of Sea Grant. In cooperation with Texas A and M University. Data for the aquaculture budget



generator were provided by a survey of shellfish aquaculturalists in New England and by the economic-engineering analysis of three synthetic model plants. As the budget generator becomes operational locally, it will enable the marine advisory service to provide detailed cost information to existing and prospective aquaculturalists. The economic-engineering analysis indicated that it was possible to produce 60g (85 mm) oysters at 1979 costs which ranged from \$18.50 in the lowest cost system to \$34.50 per bushel in the highest cost system. By comparison prices received for high-quality half-shell oysters were \$33.75 per bushel in 1979. Most operating oyster-producers had costs of at least \$37.50 per bushel, due to the experimental nature of their operations. In cooperation with Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution: A computer program has been written based on the lobster aquaculture program of the University of California, Davis. The new program contains features not found in any other bioeconomic simulator and in a variable planning horizon framework it includes both start up and operating sequences for either identical or nonidentical seasonal conditions for single, repeated batch or continuous batch operation.

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#### FARM FISH POND MANAGEMENT

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Proj. No.: MICL00064

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 22 JUL 44 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Estimate production of plants and animals per unit area or volume of water in farm type ponds, and natural ponds. Determine extent fertilization of ponds will increase production of fish food (plankton, insects) and fish. Devise practical management programs for farm ponds; this includes the number of fish to plant and harvest. Detect and measure possible detrimental effects of use of fertilizers in fish ponds.

APPROACH: Measurement release of stored nutrients in the subaqueous soils by addition of chelating (EDTA, etc.) materials to the waters. Tracing the paths of nutrients added to the waters through tagging nutrients with radioactive tracers ( $P^{32}$ ), rates of fixation of nutrients and accumulation of organic material (basic productivity) will be measured by the  $C^{14}$  light-and-dark bottle technic. Input of solar radiation will be measured.

PROGRESS: 44/07 TO 79/10. The research has contributed significantly to the management techniques of fish ponds in northern, midwestern areas of the United States. These techniques relate to the stocking densities of fish, the species of fish suitable, fertilization rates for ponds and fish and fish food relationships. Northern ponds must be stocked and fertilized differently than southern ponds in many aspects. Competition among sport versus rough fish in ponds results in reduced growth rates of sport fish when ponds are fertilized. This results apparently from lower dissolved oxygen levels in fertilized ponds. Raising of catfish in Michigan for sale is successful when starting the season with advanced fingerlings.

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#### FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: MIS-0819

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management system for freshwater animals cultured for food. Nutrition, genetics and breeding. Evaluate the economics of production processing and marketing of freshwater food animals. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Project is multidisciplinary with Departments of Biochemistry, Horticulture, Agricultural Economics, and Wildlife and Fisheries. Least cost rations will be tested in aquaria and one-tenth acre ponds. Genetics parameters, heritability, and genetic correlations estimated for several traits with concurrent selection program. Amino acid requirements on quantitative basis and digestibility of common feed stuffs determined for catfish. Processing methods compared for dress out yield, with standard nutritional values of catfish flesh determined.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Apparent and true amino acid availability values have been determined for the following feed ingredients commonly used in catfish feeds: corn, wheat middlings, rice bran, rice mill feed, soybean meal, peanut meal, cottonseed meal, meat and bone meal, and menhaden fish meal. Fingerling channel catfish appear to be more sensitive to the antinutritional factors present in soybean meal than poultry. Studies are currently being conducted to determine the adverse effects of trypsin inhibitors and flavones in soybean meal on catfish. Duckweed (Family Lemnaceae) was incorporated at 15 and 20% into isocaloric diets formulated to meet or exceed nutritional requirements of channel catfish. Diets containing duckweed performed as well as the control. Cottonseed meal was incorporated into isocaloric diets at 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25% of the basal diet. Growth suppression of channel catfish was noted at the 20 and 25% cottonseed meal levels. The procedure for canning tuna-style channel catfish was refined, further data on heat-processing developed, and work was initiated on a consumer acceptance study. Selection of catfish for weight gain, gain in dress out percentage, and decreased percent fat with 25% for high selection and 25% low selection was completed. Fish will be mated at 2 years of age to decrease age at maturity. A Micro-computer program designed to provide information for Management decision-making has been developed. This system computes daily feeding rates by pond and projects feeding days to harvest.

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006.057\* CRIS0082872  
WINTER FEEDING OF CHANNEL CATFISH IN MISSISSIPPI

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Proj. No.: MIS-0851 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 NOV 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate growth rates, economic implications and water quality of fingerling and food-sized channel catfish winter feeding programs.

APPROACH: There will be four treatments (two experimental feeds two fish sizes) and two controls (no feed x two fish sizes) each replicated three times (18 .04 ha ponds). Fish will be fed as a percent of body weight depending upon water temperature. Fish weight gain, survival, feed conversion and body proximate analysis will be analyzed using a two-way ANOVA. Economic and water quality evaluations will be conducted.

PROGRESS: 80/11 TO 80/12. Project was initiated 15 Nov 1980. All ponds were stocked and feeding adjusted to water temperature is proceeding.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/11 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.058\* CRIS0083555  
PRACTICAL FEED FORMULATIONS AND FEEDING PRACTICES FOR CATFISH FARMING IN MS

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Proj. No.: MIS-0852 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 18 FEB 81 To 28 FEB 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the practical application of computer derived least cost ration formulations in catfish production ponds; compare experimental rations developed from the most current catfish nutrition information available to a standard commercial ration used throughout the industry; evaluate any effects of peanut meal as a feed ingredient or the shelf life of processed fish; evaluate diet formulation for winter feeding regimes in catfish production ponds.

APPROACH: Experimental rations will be formulated and compared to currently used commercial rations in both summer and winter feeding studies for channel catfish. Research will be conducted with both fingerling and market-size channel catfish cultured in .04/ha earthen ponds.

006.059 CRIS0081602  
WATER QUALITY STOCKING RATES AND HARVESTING SYSTEMS FOR CATFISH

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Proj. No.: MIS-0842 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUN 80 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Estimate production function for stocking rates on methods in ponds; measure water quality factors, production method, diseases; identify factors that limit production; access costs associated with above and compare these costs.

Compute net returns. Develop and publish recommendations.

APPROACH: Ponds at Stoneville will be stocked at three rates. Fish will be clean harvested at 1.2 pounds. Comparable ponds will be harvested by removing market-size fish. Scientists and producers will recommend production management practices for ponds.

PROGRESS: 80/06 TO 80/12. Work in the past 6 months has been of a preparative nature. Construction of the six 1.62 ha ponds is complete and ponds are now ready for use. Initial sampling of pond soils is completed and most of the materials required to support the proposed research have been obtained. Laboratory equipment necessary to conduct analyses of interest have been obtained and the water chemistry laboratory should be fully operational by March 1, 1981. The rights to 200,000 fingerling channel catfish have been acquired and fish should be on hand by mid-February 1981. Ponds will be stocked and research in progress by mid-March 1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/06 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.060 CRIS0071310  
PRODUCTION OF MACROBRACHIUM ROSENBERGII (GIANT MALAYSIAN PRAWN IN NEVADA)

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Proj. No.: NEV00355 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 13 AUG 76 To 31 DEC 77

OBJECTIVES: Determine the feasibility of raising prawns in power plant effluents and/or geothermal waters in Nevada.

APPROACH: Obtain prawns, conduct liveability tests, prepare for production. Grow larvae in brackish water, prepare ponds and study pond water parameters. Stock ponds with juveniles, feed, maintain and harvest adults. Study market.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Thirty five hundred new post larval prawns were stocked in a floating polypropylene net suspended in the main cooling ponds of an electric power production plant. The stocking rate was 10 per cubic meter. The survival rate at the end of a 180 day grow out period was 46% with an average prawn weight of 5 grams. Water temperatures during the test period varied from 20 degree C to 37 degree C

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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REARING BAIT FISH IN WESTERN NEVADA

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Proj. No.: NEV00388 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 78 To 01 OCT 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine the supply and demand for bait fish used in western Nevada waters. Develop techniques for culture of native minnows acceptable for use in these waters. Encourage development of private commercial operations for raising and selling the suitable species of bait fish.

APPROACH: Collection of adult fish will be made from local waters and a captive population established in the laboratory. Artificial and natural spawnings will be attempted. Egg and fry development stages will be identified and food preferences determined. Growth rates will be determined.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Adult Lahontan Tui Chubs, *Siphateles bicolor oregonus*, obtained from Walker Lake, Nevada were successfully spawned both artificially and naturally. Spawning mats made of Spanish Moss were a satisfactory egg substrate although the development of fungus on some eggs was a common problem. About 50% of chubs fed trout meal and screened brine shrimp flakes for the first 21 days survived. After 21 days mortality was minimal for chubs fed live brine shrimp nauplii. Survival of newly hatched fish raised in a semi-natural pond environment and not fed appeared to be as good as those raised in troughs and fed artificial diets.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.062\* CRIS0028020  
NATURAL SEED OYSTER BEDS OF THE DELAWARE BAY

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Proj. No.: NJ32500 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 62 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Develop information on and conduct research leading to the goal of disease-free oysters in the Delaware Bay area.

APPROACH: Conduct such field and laboratory studies on MSX in oyster populations as required. Advise the Delaware Bay authorities of the best management practices to preserve good seed beds and develop new beds.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The oyster planters of Delaware Bay depend almost exclusively on the State-controlled natural seed beds of the upper Bay for their supply of seed oysters which are planted on privately-leased beds in the lower Bay. Under this project our laboratory provides basic information on the seed beds and recommendations for their management to the State Division of Fish, Game and Shell-fisheries. In 1980 over 400,000 bushels of seed oysters were removed from the beds in the regular spring planting season. Based on our recommendations, two of the Beds, Egg Island and the Lodge, and a major portion of New Beds, were closed to the taking of seed because of a preponderance of small oysters of the 1975 and 1979 year classes. Following the spring-early summer dredging, a moderate to light general set of 1980 year class oysters occurred on the seed beds. MSX disease mortalities in the 1980 planted stocks were unusually heavy in the summer, fall and early winter of 1980-81. Mortalities in oysters on the lower seed beds were 1/2 to 1/3 those on the planted grounds immediately below the boundary, the Southwest Line separating seed beds and leased bottom. Based on these data and those of the preceding 20 years establishing that similar differential mortalities between seed beds and planting grounds have been the general rule.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.063\* CRIS0066259  
SURF CLAM MANAGEMENT STUDIES

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Proj. No.: NJ32503 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 26 JUN 74 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the capacity of inshore surf clam beds near Atlantic City to sustain increased commercial harvest because of the partial depletion of the large offshore beds.

APPROACH: Selected bed areas sampled in 1972 will be open to dredging and two 6-square mile areas including high density clam populations will be closed to commercial harvest. Monitoring of all beds will include settling intensity of larvae, juvenile mortality, juvenile growth, to determine if retaining brood stock is necessary to maintain recruitments.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The surf clam resource off the coast of New Jersey lies both in State waters, inside the three-mile limit, and offshore in Federal waters. Under State and Federal financing the population in New Jersey waters has been under detailed study since 1972, that in Federal waters has had some attention in this project since 1978. New Jersey began its management of the State resource in January 1977 and has based its annual quota and its decisions on areas closed to harvest on the results of our annual inventories. The work in Federal waters has resulted in the closure of a 120-square-mile area off Atlantic City and similar, though smaller, areas off Maryland and Virginia. The closures in all cases have been designed to prevent wasteful harvest of small clams. Until 1976 the New Jersey inshore resource was in steady decline under harvest pressure with no significant recruitment. The 1976 year class of clams set heavily in the Atlantic City area and survived well. The population of this year class in an area extending roughly 20 miles along the coast and centered on Absecon Inlet has more than doubled the standing stock of clams in New Jersey waters between Shark River and Cape May Inlet. The same year class also set and survived in Federal waters. The 120-square-mile closed area off Atlantic City has a population which we estimate at 17 million bushels.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

006.064 CRIS0078907  
OYSTER DRILL CONTROL BY HYDRAULIC DREDGING IN DELAWARE BAY

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Proj. No.: NJ32502 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 28 JUN 78 To 27 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Increase oyster production in Delaware Bay by reducing losses to predation by oyster drills in a cost-effective way.

APPROACH: Construct a hydraulic dredge; install it on a boat; adjust it for removal of oyster drills and associated materials, from the upper layer of oyster bottom; separate the drills from larger and smaller materials by a system of screen conveyers; destroy the drills; and return the associated materials to the bottom immediately so as to maintain stability to the oyster bottom.

006.065\* CRIS0077773  
ECOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT OF WALLEYE

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Proj. No.: NYC-147331 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 30 MAR 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Define the role of interspecific competition and predation in governing walleye recruitment from an analysis of fish community structures.

APPROACH: Reproductive success of walleye as measured by abundance of young and age composition of the population will be compared with size distribution and species composition of fish communities in a wide spectrum of lakes. Information on community structure will be gathered primarily from the catch in gillnets and trawls. More specific information on the nature of interspecific competition and predation will be generated by following the fate of larval and fingerling walleye stocked in lakes with different densities and assemblages of potential predators or competitors. Role of walleye in restructuring fish communities will be assessed from pre- and post-surveys of lakes where walleye populations are established by stocking.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Beginning with a strong year-class in 1962, the walleye population in Chautauqua Lake, New York expanded from an occasional adult to over 50,000 mature fish in 1978. Analysis of scale samples, tagging records and other data showed that recruitment stabilized while growth and survival of walleye declined during the period of population expansion. Recruitment was initially highly variable with three year classes contributing 91% of the adult stock from 1962-1973, but subsequent cohorts were more uniform in size. Average length of a 5-year old male decreased from 515 mm in 1966-1973 to 436 mm in 1980 while adult survival declined from near 100% to about 70%. As walleye stocks expanded numbers of adult muskellunge decreased in the 1970s to about one-fourth the levels which prevailed in earlier years. The timing of events suggests the increase in walleye may have contributed to the collapse of muskellunge but analysis of historical data did not reveal any evidence of direct interactions. Reduced growth and survival may limit further expansion of walleye stock and favor development of a new equilibrium with muskellunge.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.066\* CRIS0067977  
BIOLOGICAL, TECHNICAL, AND ECONOMIC STUDIES OF  
CULTURED AQUATIC RESOURCES

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ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147319 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 12 MAY 75 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: The Cornell Aquaculture Program include measurement and evaluation of changes in the effluent quality from oxidation ponds due to filtration by confined populations of daphnids and measurement and evaluation of yield of daphnids from confined populations receiving effluents from oxidation ponds.

APPROACH: Daphnid populations will be confined in partially submerged cages which will receive flows of algae laden water from algal culture systems and/or small oxidation ponds. The effects of variation in concentration of algae, velocity of flow, and cage depth will be tested at three different levels for each parameter. Changes in effluent water quality will be measured by comparing the quality of water entering the daphnid cages with that of the water that has flowed out of the cages. Daphnid populations will be harvested on a pre-determined schedule, dried and weighed to determine production.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This project was initiated in August 1978 as an investigation of the impacts of manure fertilization on the water quality and production potential of New York fish ponds. The field season (April-October) of 1980 was a period of great activity on the project. Six experimental ponds were fertilized at three levels of manure (no manure, 2500 kg/ha and 12,300 kg/ha) and stocked with larval walleye, *Stizostedion vitreum*. The manure was effluent from an experimental methane digester. The physical and chemical response was monitored through analysis of nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations, light penetration, dissolved oxygen levels, water temperature, pH and alkalinity. The biological response was monitored by measuring production and consumption of oxygen by the phytoplankton community, chlorophyll concentration and form (a, b and c), zooplankton biomass and community structure, and fish growth. Fish survival was estimated. Attempts to model oxygen and ammonia levels, and to assess the variability in predicted values show that minimum oxygen levels can be predicted from manure load, temperature and chlorophyll values. Ammonia levels can be predicted from load, temperature, pH and chlorophyll. The research under this project has been transferred to the Agronomy Department, Cornell University.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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INTENSIVE CULTURE OF THE WALLEYE (PERCIDAE;  
*STIZOSTEDION VITREUM*)

NICKUM J G; NATURAL RESOURCES; CORNELL UNIVERSITY,  
ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147382 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 78 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop and start production diets for walleyes based upon the nutrient content of walleye eggs and/or body tissues. Compare growth and survival of walleye fry and fingerlings fed experimental diets with growth and survival of fry and fingerlings fed live diets. Determine the combination of environmental conditions which obtains the highest survival and most rapid growth of walleye fry and fingerlings. Monitor any histological and/or chemical differences in the tissues of walleye fry and fingerlings reared on various diets. Evaluate the relative economic energy and nutrient efficiencies of intensive walleye culture versus extensive walleye culture.

APPROACH: Experimental diets will be developed in collaboration with the Tunison Laboratory of Fish Nutrition. All growth and survival tests will be conducted in triplicate in running water systems at temperatures between 10°C and 21°C. "Mini"-troughs of six-liter capacity will be used. Lots of 200 walleye fry or 30 walleye fingerlings will be used and feeding trials will be scheduled for 10 weeks. Fish will be fed at five minute intervals with automatic feeders. Five fish from each lot will be selected for histological and pathological analyses. Total costs in terms of nutrients, energy, and money will be determined and compared with those incurred in rearing walleyes under extensive conditions.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Intensive culture of walleye through all stages of their early life history requires knowledge of the factors effecting the successful conversion of post hatch larvae to artificial or natural diets. Massive mortality of fry usually occurs as they fail to initiate feeding. This study has assessed the role of available energy in the yolk sac to larval development and the role of feeding initiation in increased survival of fry in cylindrical rearing units. Caloric energy deficits occur in fry at 7 days (20 degrees C) but no survival differences were detected in fish which initiated feeding at 2, 4, or 6 days of age. Death due to starvation occurred at 14 and 21 days for walleye fry held at 17 and 20 degrees C respectively. Survival and growth of juvenile walleye were strongly influenced by the shape of the rearing unit and direction of water flow within the unit. Significantly better results were obtained in hatching jars with an upwelling flow of water in comparison to troughs. Better performance of the cylindrical units could be attributed to two factors: improved food suspension time and reduced competition for food.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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INTENSIVE CULTURE OF CRAYFISH

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ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-147423 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 28 AUG 80 To 30 SEP 83



OBJECTIVES: Develop an intensive culture method for crayfish suitable for use in northeastern U.S. Growth, mortality and time of sexual maturity will be evaluated to assess the feasibility of intensive culture of crayfish.

APPROACH: Modular unit which isolates individual crayfish, allows reuse of water and occupies minimal space will be designed. Growth will be measured by weekly weighing of individual crayfish; mortality will be determined by weekly period. Feasibility will be determined on the basis of potential economic value taking into consideration growth and mortality of crayfish and the cost of building and operating a culture system.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This is a new project which started in October, 1980. Intensive culture of crayfish has not been successfully attempted in the Northeast; most species of crayfish are very aggressive which results in mortality when crowding is attempted. The approach in this project is to develop a system whereby each individual can be confined with large numbers in a small space. The concept for such a system has been formed and construction of the components of the system has been started.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.069 CRIS0079S84  
DEVELOPMENT OF INEXPENSIVE AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS FOR HOME (SUBSISTENCE-TYPE) CULTURE IN N. C.

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Proj. No.: NC05448 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: To develop inexpensive and efficient methods of fish culture for home consumption. To determine best species of fish and algae for home culture. To determine costs involved in home culture system.

APPROACH: Use translucent solar-algae tanks and use solar energy to grow algae which can be utilized by herbivorous fishes (tilapia). Determine methods of utilizing solar-algae tanks throughout year: outside with insulation; within greenhouse; outside with cold-tolerant species; outside with solar collectors. Determine production of different species in monoculture, polyculture, and diseasonal use.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Blue tilapia (*Sarotherodon aureus*) were grown to edible size (211 g) in backyard fish tanks in approximately 6 months. There was no significant difference in the growth rates of blue tilapia and hybrid tilapia. Rainbow trout stocked (41 g) fish were harvested at 309 g. Water temperatures were modified by using saran shades and tank placement during the summer. Plastic insulation and solar exposure were used to maintain winter temperatures. Wind-proof covers were also devised for the tanks. Water recycling was accomplished by floating trickling filters at the tank surface. Ammonia control was effected by using clinoptilolite in an improvised, air-lift filter.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.070\* CRIS0078543  
AN EVALUATION OF STRIPED BASS X WHITE BASS HYBRIDS AND STRIPED BASS X WHITE PERCH HYBRIDS

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Proj. No.: NC05430 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: To evaluate the potential of striped bass x white bass and striped bass x white perch hybrids for use in aquaculture and to disseminate acquired knowledge to interested individuals.

APPROACH: Hybrids will be cultured in 0.1 hectare ponds using both fresh and brackish (ca. 10 0/100) water sources. Two ponds will be used for cage culture experiments to evaluate hybrid response to limited space and crowding. The experiments will provide data concerning comparative survival, growth and adaptability of the two hybrids to pond and cage culture in both fresh and brackish water. Additionally, food preferences of the larval hybrids will be determined.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Approximately 1.3 million larval striped bass x white bass and 0.6 million striped bass x white perch larvae were produced using artificial fertilization procedures, demonstrating for the second year that the hybrids can be readily produced using existing techniques. Most were placed into intensive culture troughs at the project site. The remainder were stocked in ponds at the Dennis Wildlife Center and the Orangeburg National Fish Hatchery in South Carolina for grow-out to fingerlings. Because culture ponds were not completed at the project site, fish were cultured under intensive conditions in the laboratory and in a series of 24-foot diameter (11,000 gallon capacity) plastic-lined pools. An important advance was development of a method to train larvae to accept dry diet at an earlier age. By presenting large concentrations of small particles of the dry food, and by keeping it in constant motion through vigorous aeration of the water, we were able to convert the larvae to dry diet at about 15 mm. Previously larvae did not convert until they were 40 mm long. Fingerling striped bass x white bass hybrids obtained from the Orangeburg NFH in January were grown in plastic-lined pools and in cages until September 1980. Mean weight when stocked was 8.1 g (range = 3.0 - 33.0 g). At harvest the fish weighed an average of 268 g (range = 32 - 522 g).

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.071\* CRIS0073509  
LIMNOLOGY OF FARM PONDS

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Proj. No.: NC03596 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the important factors controlling quality and quantity of fish production in N.C. farm ponds. Develop a capability to diagnose and recommend treatment for various pond problems - fish disease, fish die-off, nuisance weeds, etc. Collaborate with others as necessary in publishing and revising guidelines for farm pond management as Ag. Extension Bulletins.

APPROACH: During the first year, determine the ranges of farm pond types in North Carolina and their important physico-chemical and biological factors influencing fish production. Begin intensive studies to determine the relationships between the above and fish production and pond "problems." This will include experimental manipulations in small enclosures in some ponds, food chain studies and a survey of fish parasites. Follow-up studies of fish stockings by the State will be performed.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 80/09. Ranks of the primary productivities of 3 study ponds in the Raleigh area were: L-26; Yates and A-2. Zooplankton was highest in Yates, while benthos was highest in L-6. Competition, measured as dietary overlap between size classes of fish, was highest in A-2, and least in L-6. Competition was most severe in mid-summer, suggesting growth depression. Turbidity depressed feeding rates of bluegill sunfish 50% but did not cause a shift in preferred prey size. Perceptual bias was not responsible for the size selection of prey; rather a hypothesis of behavioral preference was supported. Data collected from previous years was assembled as a basis for submitting a proposal to OWRI entitled "Effects of Low-Level Turbidity on Fishes". This proposal was accepted and a grant of \$126,108 was awarded 1 October 1979. A technique using radioactive

glycine uptake by fish scales was developed to determine short-term growth rates of fishes in relation to turbidity. A method was developed to separate the effects of biotic and abiotic particles on turbidity. A precipitation technique for manipulating turbidity in ponds was developed. A 50 channel, computer interfaced, scanner was purchased to continuously monitor relative humidity, water and air temperature, oxygen, wind speed and direction and light.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 80/09**

GARDNER, M.B. 1979. The Effects of Turbidity on Feeding Rates and Prey-Size Selection by the Bluegill Sunfish (*Leponis macrochirus*): a Test of a Foraging-Strategy Hypothesis. M.S. Thesis. Dept. of Zoology, NCSU.

**006.072\* CRIS0072485  
POTENTIAL HARVEST OF LAKE ERIE WHITE CRAPPIE FROM AN ADJOINING BORROW PIT**

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Proj. No.: OBC00258 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 77 To 31 MAR 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the potential for increasing accessibility and harvest of fish populations, particularly white crappie, from large bodies of water through fisheries in small adjoined bodies of water.

**APPROACH:** The study area will be mapped. Basic limnological parameters will be monitored in the borrow pit and the immediate bay area to detect differences or potential limiting factors. Mark and recapture studies, sonar scans, test netting and electrofishing will provide an estimate of migration into and out of the immediate bay area and the borrow pit. Fishing pressure and total harvest in both areas will be estimated by creel surveys. The population structure of white crappie will be determined and compared in both areas from fish sampling data. Management recommendations will be developed on the basis of the significance of migrations and possible causes.

**PROGRESS: 77/01 TO 79/03.** In 552 hours of sampling, a total of 938 adult fish (19 species) moved through a culvert connecting a borrow pit with Sandusky Bay. Of these, 506 (53.9%) were moving from the Bay into the borrow pit. White crappie (6.3%) and black crappie (4.1%) together represented a greater percentage of the total catch than all other species except gizzard shad and brown bullheads. Culvert current direction regulated the direction of fish movements; of 755 movements during discernible flow, 82.9% were counter current. Spawning activity appeared to determine which species, what size, and when movements occurred. In the borrow pit, larger, older fish of both crappie species were prevalent in the spring inshore trap sets, culvert movements, and the fishermen's creel, while smaller crappie (150mm or less) were abundant offshore and dominated the summer fish collections. Black crappie consistently showed up earlier than did white crappie in all sampling methods. This difference in the timing of seasonal activities between the two indicated that black crappie are active earlier in the spring, and suggested black crappie may spawn earlier than white crappie. The estimated net gain of adult white and black crappie moving into the borrow pit potentially represented 7.6% and 6.1% of each species harvest respectively.

**PUBLICATIONS: 77/01 TO 79/03  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.**

**006.073\* CRIS0079845  
FEASIBILITY OF CAGED FISH CULTURE IN NORTH CENTRAL OKLAHOMA FARM PONDS**

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Proj. No.: OKLX-8085-15-5 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 84

**OBJECTIVES:** Study production and cost of caged fish in small ponds in Central Oklahoma, investigate and test the feasibility of caged fish in a normal farm or ranch operation.

**APPROACH:** Channel catfish will be grown in cages and fed pellets containing 30-35% protein, and Tilapia will be grown in cages and fed pellets containing 25-30% protein. Oxygen and temperature will be measured daily at feeding time to develop a profile as if they relate to growth. Record as to marketing and home consumptions and cost will be kept to determine return on investment.

**PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12.** Cage culture appears to be economically feasible in small (less than 2.0 ha) farm ponds and has potential for generating a small additional source of income (estimated to be \$744.00/ha) and/or producing low cost food for the farm family. Ponds that are clear (depth of visibility greater than 1.0 m) and shallow (depth less than 1.0 m over half of the pond) should probably not be used for cage fish culture unless aquatic vegetation control is implemented. Channel catfish fingerlings should be 150 to 200 mm in total length when stocked if a large proportion of marketable size fish are to be produced in one year in Oklahoma. Tilapia appear to stimulate channel catfish feeding and therefore increase production. The optimum ratio appears to be a very high ratio of catfish to tilapia. The optimum density of fish per cage appears to be about 400 fish per cubic meter with an anticipated harvest weight of 0.45 kg.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

GEBBART, G.E. and MAUGHAN, C.E. 1980. Feasibility of Mixed Cage Culture of Tilapia and Channel Catfish. Inland Commercial Fisheries Association. 14 March 1980, Nashville, TN.  
GEBBART, G.E. and MAUGHAN, C.E. 1980. Cage Fish Culture in Small Farm Ponds in Oklahoma. Oklahoma Academy of Science, November 14, 1980. Norman, Oklahoma.

**006.074\* CRIS0068960  
BIOLOGICAL FEASIBILITY OF INTENSIFIED OYSTER CULTURE**

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Proj. No.: ORE00338 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Out-bay culture will investigate the biological and economic feasibility of pond or raceway culture under controlled conditions. This will yield data on the influence of parameters such as water volumes, currents and seeding density on oyster growth. Efforts will also be made to correlate changes in available natural food, as measured by dissolved and particulate organic carbon and nitrogen, with changes in oyster growth. These studies may also encourage investors by demonstrating the reduced threat to culture facilities from floods, winds and storms.

**APPROACH:** Hatchery-produced seed oysters will be placed on the bottom of commercial oyster growing grounds, on oyster growing trays and on experimental rafts. The growth and survival of these oysters will be monitored over a two-year period beginning in the spring of 1975. These data will provide a means of evaluating the relative efficiency and productivity of the various culture methods. Concurrent with the placement of seed oysters in the field, oysters from the same brood group will be held in an existing out-bay rearing pond provided with pumped seawater. The growth and survival of these oysters will be monitored for comparison with other rearing methods. Refinement of the out-bay culture method will be a continuing process.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Cultchleee seed was again planted in Tillamook Bay. As we have had no ice or adverse weather to date, growth and survival data should be collected in the Spring of 1981. *Crassostrea rivularis* has been accepted by some of the growers and eyed larvae andeed are available from two commercial hatcheries. Monthly sampling of the Kumamoto oyster is complete. Three years of data shows this oyster to mature later in the year. As this oyster is a warm water spawner (25 degree C), this data agrees with our laboratory data which says low temperature delays sexual maturation but does not affect the rate of maturation. For the second year we have successfully spawned this oyster in late summer. Eyed larvae as a seed source is gaining popularity. A failure of domestic wild seed has increased the interest in hatchery seed. Techniques for handling eyed larvae are being perfected. Four hatcheries are now producing eyed larvae for sale. Communication. Held a workshop in Astoria for Oregon and Washington growers to explain the eyed larvae technique for obtaining oyster seed. Visited the interested growers and helped them with the technique of setting eyed larvae.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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- MURANAKA, M.S. 1980. Broodstock Management of the Pacific Oyster *Crassostrea gigas* (Thunberg), M.S. Thesis. Cre. State Univ., 55 pp.

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CRIS0084301

#### MOLLUSCAN HATCHERY TECHNOLOGY

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 Proj. No.: ORE00913 Project Type: STATE  
 Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 81 To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: This project proposee to adapt the hatchery techniques developed for the Miyagi variety of *Crassostrea gigas* to selected oysters, clams and the sea mussel. Species chosen are Kumamoto oysters, gaper, cockle and razor clams and the sea mussel. This should result in hatchery techniques for most of these mollusks.

APPROACH: The above mentioned oysters, clams and mussel will be brought to the laboratory at or near their natural spawning cycle, conditioned if necessary and then induced to spawn. The resulting eggs will be fertilized and reared through the larval free swimming period. Variables will be temperature and salinity. Newly set seed will be reared to various sizes and then planted in several estuaries to determine techniques that exhibit the greatest survival and growth.

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#### CULTURE OF PACIFIC SALMON

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 Proj. No.: ORE00163 Project Type: STATE  
 Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 DEC 84

OBJECTIVES: Determine the relationship between incubation density and fry quality in shallow gravel incubators.

APPROACH: Chum salmon eggs will be incubated at six densities ranging from 1000 to 10,000 eggs per square foot of gravel, with six replicates of each density. Emergence timing, size at emergence, yolk utilization and proximate tissue analysis will be compared between and within treatments (densities). The fry quality criteria will also be compared to natural fry. Samples from each treatment will be marked and released and the relationship between density and survival subsequently observed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Within the tested range of 1000 - 7000 eyed eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> gravel substrate (1.08 - 7.53 eggs/cm<sup>2</sup>), the optimum stocking density for chum salmon (*Oncorhynchus keta*) eggs in shallow matrix substrate incubators occurred at 3,000-4,000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup>. Premature fry, which predominated early emergence, showed greater variability in lipid content than fry at peak emergence. Cumulative premature fry emergence was lowest at 3000 - 4000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> and highest at 5000 - 7000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup>. Early emerging fry are considered to be of lesser quality than peak emerging fry because the observed increase in variation in lipid content (i.e. primary energy reserve) may lead to increased variation in survival during seaward migration. Neither survival (from egg stocking to emergence) nor the gross body composition (determined by proximate analysis) of emerging fry were affected by egg stocking density. Development indices decreased in a linear fashion throughout emergence but the slope and intercept of the line did not differ among egg stocking densities. The frequency of yolk sac abnormalities was negligible in all treatments. The water content of fry increased from early to late emergence while dry weights remained relatively constant. The implications of this observation are discussed. Application of these results depends on the relative importance of biological vs. economic optimization in a hatchery. 3,000-4,000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> favors high quality fry production, while 7,000 eggs/ft<sup>2</sup> minimizes the cost of producing each fry.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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CRIS0083604

#### PERFORMANCE OF SALMONIDS: SMOLTIFICATION, STRESS AND FITNESS

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 Proj. No.: ORE00908 Project Type: STATE  
 Agency ID: SAES Period: 02 FEB 81 To 30 JUN 86

OBJECTIVES: Increase percent return of anadromous salmonids by providing an understanding of the functional basis of parr-smolt transformation. Monitor clinical indicators of smoltification. Conduct tests of performance as indicators of smolt quality to signify effects of rearing conditions on development.

APPROACH: Analyze clinical criteria of smoltification, particularly those associated with the endocrine system. Specifically, determine effects of loading regimes on smolt performance criteria; determine effects of loading regimes on smolt-indicators; determine correlations of smolt-indicators and performance and determine effects of loading on food consumption and feed conversion efficiency and correlate nutritional status with smolt performance and smolt-indicators.

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CRIS0066734

#### STOCK DYNAMICS AND ASSESSMENT IN MARINE FISHERIES

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Proj. No.: OSE00254 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Provide a revised statistical area map for landings of Oregon groundfish that will improve assessment of fish stocks and provide the basis for a standardized inter-state unit of fishing effort.

**APPROACH:** Compile and chart local distribution of recent Oregon landings of principal groundfish species from commercial log-book data of the Fish Commission of Oregon. Analyze and chart distribution of major assemblages of continental shelf fishes, including principal species landed, potentially exploitable species, and minor species. Analyses will be made with recurrent group, species-association coefficient methods. Based on the distribution of major assemblages of fishes, develop a proposal for revised statistical reporting areas that will be small enough to allow analysis of the status of individual stocks. This map will also provide the basis for a standardized inter-state unit of fishing effort.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. We propose that management concerns for continental shelf fishes must include not only yield maximization goals on target species (modified by social concerns to CY), but also fish assemblage maintenance goals. MSY oriented management has been shown with models to simplify fishery systems toward species with highest productivity rates. However, there is no assurance that simplified, high production portions of formerly species-rich assemblages can persist in ocean systems. Our analyses of research trawling surveys have indicated there are geographic fish-species assemblages. We conceptualize that each assemblage is part of a geographically definable natural production system of interacting organisms (a "community"). The "regular" species of the community having strong trophic linkages among themselves comprise an "assemblage production unit" (APU). The "regular" species are those that are present in every season. As a management technique for the APU, we propose that monitoring the transition states following controlled pulse fishing by the commercial dragger fleet may be a means of exploring and maintaining the viability of the APU's. These pulses could be applied simultaneously to a group of near-replicate APU's. The goal would be to find the limits of repetitive pulse fishing that would allow persistence of APU structure

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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006.079\*  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

CFIS0076533

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RICO, RIO PIEDRAS, PUERTO RICO. 00928.  
Proj. No.: PE00322 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 14 SEP 78 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food: Nutrition, genetics and breeding and culture systems.

**APPROACH:** Experiments will be designed to determine practical feeds for *Tilapia* spp. under tropical conditions. Digestibility coefficients for these diets will be determined for each species. Development and evaluations of suitable breeding and

sexing techniques for mass production of *Tilapia* species and monosex hybrids. Determine optimum stocking densities and growth of *Tilapia* spp. in cage cultures and ponds utilizing supplementary feeding and/or pond fertilization. Flavor and texture of the fish (fresh and processed) will be determined by organoleptic tests.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Six 1 m x 3 floating cages were suspended in three 0.1 ha ponds and stocked with either 150, 300, 450, or 650 *Tilapia nilotica* fingerlings (75 to 125 mm/long) per cage. At least one of these densities was either fed a 30% protein sinking pellet at a rate of 4% total body weight daily, six days per week, or not fed. This preliminary study was conducted for 77 days at which time the fish from each cage were weighed and measured. Fish that were not fed merely maintained their initial stocking weight, regardless of density. Fish fed 4% daily gained 0.77, 0.70, 0.59, and 0.53 g/day in cages stocked with 150, 300, 450, and 600 fish/cage, respectively. This indicated *T. nilotica* fed a complete ration grew at a slower rate in cages when stocked at higher densities. The above preliminary study indicates the need to determine the optimum stocking density of *T. nilotica* in cages. The effects of pond size may also be important and needs to be studied in conjunction with density. An experiment will be conducted during 1981 to determine these effects. Cages will be suspended in ponds of either 0.70 ha or 0.16 ha and stocked with either 250, 500, 750, or 1000 fingerlings/cage. All fishes will be fed an equal percentage of the total body weight per cage.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.080\*  
ABATEMENT OF EUTROPHICATION RESULTING FROM INTENSIVE ANIMAL PRODUCTION

CFIS0064402

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ISLAND, KINGSTON, RHODE ISLAND. 02881.  
Proj. No.: RI00822 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop practical methods for: Removal of metabolites from fish culture water that render it unsuitable for re-use. Treatment of fish culture water to meet existing and projected standards for discharge. Removal and treatment of suspended solid wastes in fish culture water. Adaptation and/or modification of processes for treatment of fish culture water and solid waste in treatment of waste from intensive livestock and poultry production.

**APPROACH:** Primary treatment will involve physical screening and aerobic digestion. Secondary treatment will involve aerobic digestion of solids, denitrification by continuous microbial reduction and reoxygenation of effluent.

**PROGRESS:** 77/06 TO 80/09. Solids removal is one of the more difficult unit processes involved in water reuse systems for the culture of salmonids. Traditional settling basins effectively remove settleable solids but suspended solids are normally entrained in the associated biological filter where their buildup impairs nitrification efficiency and necessitates periodic cleaning. Alternate methods of solids removal were evaluated. Studies with a pulsed rapid sand filter indicated that a 12 cm. atrachite coal bed over a 7.5 cm. sand bed resulted in a 66 percent removal of suspended solids at acceptable hydraulic loading rates. Studies with an inclined 40 mesh stainless steel static screen indicated that up to 38 percent of the suspended solids could be removed at a hydraulic loading rate of 122 liters/m<sup>2</sup>/minute. Combining a plate settler with an 80 mesh stainless steel screen resulted in a 71 percent removal rate when the influent contained 77 mg/l of suspended solids. The relatively poor results obtained lead to investigation of "in situ" solids digestion in a system using 10 o/oo salinity water. Solids concentration was reduced 97 percent. This work will be continued in freshwater systems.



PUBLICATIONS: 77/06 TO 80/09

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006.081 CRIS0084296  
INVESTIGATION OF "IN SITU" SOLIDS DIGESTION FOR  
SALMONID PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: R100851 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUN 81 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To reduce the cost of water treatment in salmonid production by "in situ" solids digestion. To characterize the microbial processes involved in an intermediate salinity (10 o/oo) environment. To evaluate selective nutrient enrichment of fresh water to achieve "in situ" solids digestion. To insure that fish health is not impaired when "in situ" solids digestion is carried out in the culture system.

APPROACH: Solids production in a non-enriched fresh water environment will be determined and compared with published predictive factors. Recoverable solids will be determined in both intermediate salinity and selectively enriched fresh water environments to determine percent of "in situ" digestion occurring. fish health will be determined by physiological, biochemical and pathological determination of appropriate parameters. Water quality will be monitored at appropriate intervals throughout the project.

006.082 CRIS0065044  
ECONOMICS OF SALMONID AQUACULTURE IN NEW ENGLAND

GATES J M; RESOURCE ECONOMICS; UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND, KINGSTON, RHODE ISLAND. 02881.

Proj. No.: R100144 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Compile and evaluate cost data associated with construction and operation of the system to determine capital requirements and production costs. evaluate potential economic gains for vertical integration in production (hatching-smolt production and grow out) systems as compared to separate of non-integrated systems. Project capital requirements and cost conditions to establish economically feasible commercial size operations and evaluate economics of integrated management of a joint commercial/sport fishery program based on a hatchery release program.

APPROACH: Study will be in 2 phases; economics of a pilot aquaculture system utilizing water re-use techniques would be analyzed. This would provide a firm data base for cost parameters; analysis of management measures for an integrated commercial/sport fishery program. Once capital requirements and production costs for the integrated system are known and evaluation will be made of the integrated and non-integrated system to determine any economic gains associated with each respective system. For analysis the integrated system will be broken down into two operations: hatching and smolt production; grow out. Capital requirements and production costs associated with each operation will be evaluated and projected to establish economically feasible full scale commercial operations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A polyperiodic or dynamic linear programming model was used which includes the age/size class structure of fish stocks. It also includes size specific "treatment" effects (such as thermal controls) on growth rates. It also includes optimum marketing and product possibilities. Decisions optimized over time include (1) the number of fish of each size to be cultured, (2) the temperature(s) at which to culture them, (3) the number of fish of each size to be harvested, (4) the

size dependent products to produce, and (5) the number of recruits to purchase. The model was applied to Atlantic salmon and to salmon culture in a water reuse system. Marginal returns to risk ranged from 5 to 237% depending on species, discount rate, and the sensitivity analysis assumptions. The marginal return to risk is after all costs, including the opportunity cost of capital (varied from 10% to 30%). It is a measure of pure profit or return to marginal risks associated with the enterprise.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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006.083 CRIS0081987  
EQUIPMENT FOR MECHANIZATION OF PRODUCTION OF OYSTERS  
AND OTHER SHELLFISH

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Proj. No.: SC00457 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate mechanical equipment for harvesting and transplanting oysters. Conduct environmental impact study of a mechanical harvesting system. Investigate the feasibility of mechanically handling and harvesting hard clams in a tray/raft culture system. Develop equipment for deheading fresh market shrimp.

APPROACH: Evaluate the efficiency and yield of a mechanical oyster harvester in relation to several different harvest methods. Conduct a two year study to determine perturbations, if any, of mechanical harvesting on the environment and develop, if necessary, practices which would mitigate these perturbations. Develop a mechanized system for handling and harvesting tray/raft cultured hard clams. Three systems will be investigated for orienting and deheading shrimp from which a commercial machine will be developed.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. The mechanical oyster harvester was out of the water for repairs and maintenance during this period. Testing should begin in the Spring of 81. Physical properties data on shrimp were obtained and initial design work started for the shrimp dshender. Location of the thickest part of the shrimp and its center of gravity were found. The two parameters are located at different positions along the longitudinal axis of the shrimp and this will be used to generate the necessary force to orient the shrimp for deheading.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

006.084 CRIS0068717  
DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION OF OYSTER HARVESTING  
EQUIPMENT AND MARICULTURE SYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: SC00114 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop and evaluate mechanical equipment for harvesting oysters. Evaluate damage by mechanical harvesting systems to oyster beds, remaining oysters and other marine organisms. Investigate systems for shellfish production including spawning systems, seed stock production and grow-out systems, handling systems and feeding systems.

APPROACH: Physical data of oyster beds will be translated into design constraints to construct an oyster harvester. Field tests will be made for evaluating machine performance and monitoring effects on marine life. Engineering systems for planting shell, harvesting and transplanting seed oysters, materials handling and harvesting schedules will be developed. Computer models will be used for optimization.

PROGRESS: 75/07 TO 80/09. A mechanical oyster harvester has been developed and tested in South Carolina estuaries. An 11.5 meter steel hull house boat was salvaged and modified to carry the oyster harvester. This modification included extending the hull to 14 meters, mounting a winch and boom system to raise the head, constructing a conveyor system to handle the oysters and mounting three engines on the vessel. The most important consideration in developing a machine to harvest oysters is protection of the fragile shell matrix or bed on which the oysters grow. Therefore, an automatic system to control harvester force exerted on the bottom was developed that can precisely regulate the force exerted on the shell matrix through a varying depth range of 1 to 3 meters. The head can operate on bottom contours with pitch and roll angles of .35 radians. Harvest rates of 20 ± 3/hr were obtained with damage to the oysters and shell matrix equal to or less than that of hand harvesting.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/07 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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STUDIES OF THE ECONOMICALLY IMPORTANT SPECIES:  
MERCEMERARIA MERCENARIA AND MACROBRACHIUM ROSENBERGII

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Proj. No.: SC00155 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Objectives of the Mercenaria phase are: Explore important biological and ecological aspects of rearing clams; investigate the extent and nature of natural clam populations; and provide environmental estuarine base-line data. Objectives of the Macrobrachium phase are: Investigate the effects of mirex on Macrobrachium; and investigate the feasibility of polyculturing Macrobrachium.

APPROACH: Approach of the Mercenaria phase includes: Evaluations of artificial seeding and growing programs; regular sampling and collection analysis of natural populations; and determination of biological, chemical and physical characteristics of clam habitats. Approach of the Macrobrachium phase includes: Monitoring the effects of exposure to mirex; and analyzing niche utilization in polyculture situations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/06. Juvenile and postlarval Macrobrachium rosenbergii were exposed to mirex concentrations of 0.1, 10, 50, 150, 500 and 1000 ug/l, plus control, for 96 hours. Whole animal residue analysis indicated postlarvae and juveniles concentrated mirex, and mortality response appeared to follow residue levels. Postlarvae and juveniles exposed to 1000 ug/l accumulated mirex up to 513x and 88x control levels, respectively. Mirex residues in juveniles were greatest in nerve tissue with levels up to 250x control. Residue analysis of test water revealed a 10-fold decline in mirex concentrations over 96 hours. Residues were not detected in the water from control, 0.1, 10, 50, 100 and 150 ug/l treatments, and only 126 and 165 ug/l mirex was found remaining after 96 hours in water from 500 and 1000 ug/l mirex treatments, respectively. Three studies with hard clams, Mercenaria mercenaria, were initiated in 1980. Two studies were designed to determine growth of hard clams cultured in South Carolina, and a third to evaluate reproductive responses to increased density.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/06  
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MANAGEMENT AND CULTURE OF MOLLUSCAN SPECIES

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Proj. No.: SC00454 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 85

OBJECTIVES: Determine compensatory growth in stunted clams; describe relative and absolute growth of clams cultured in SC; determine the effectiveness of using aggregate complexes to increase recruitment and survival of clams; determine the feasibility of a proposed mariculture strategy for clams in SC and determine the extent and dynamics of natural populations of molluscan species in S.C.

APPROACH: Evaluation of the growth response by stunted clams to decreased density; statistical analysis of growth relationships of clams cultured in SC; evaluations of planting site preparations, different times of planting and different sizes of seed clams; and regular sampling and collection analysis of natural populations.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. In May, a research project was initiated to determine if hard clams, Mercenaria mercenaria, that had experienced reduced growth due to crowding would compensate with increased growth at lowered population density. Clams that had been raised at 280, 859, and 1,159 clams/m<sup>2</sup> were replanted at a stocking density of 290/m<sup>2</sup> in two tidal locations (intertidal and subtidal). Regular measurements of growth (shell length) revealed clams were compensating or adjusting to reduced density. Mortality was low and only a few empty shells (dead clams) exhibited signs of forced entry by decapod crustaceans. Rigid analysis is underway to determine if statistical inferences can be made about these preliminary observations. Two other phases of this project were initiated, one to evaluate reproductive responses to increased density and the other to determine growth characteristics of hard clams cultured in South Carolina. Data from these phases will be used to project clam growth and the affect of increased density on reproductive output.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FISH PRODUCTION IN SOUTH DAKOTA FARM AND RANCH WATERS

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Proj. No.: SD00712 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop techniques for the enhancement of fish production in South Dakota. Study areas will include east river farm ponds and marshes and west river stock tanks. The final goal of this work will be to provide the farmers and ranchers of the State with a bulletin describing to them the best fish production procedures for their particular aquatic system. Both the recreational and commercial aspects of fish production will be studied.

APPROACH: Farm pond and stock tank studies will involve the determination of the success of various stocking combinations and stocking ratios. This will include the success of stocking in relation to the physical, chemical, and biological attributes of these waters. Marsh studies will include the determination of species composition, food, population structure, and production of native marsh



fishes. Work will follow concerning the production of introduced forms, including stocking ratios, and their effects upon the natural communities of these marshes. Recapture techniques of these introduced forms will also be studied.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/06. The potential for genetic alteration in body composition and growth traits was examined in 365 day-old rainbow trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) through the estimation of heritabilities, phenotypic standard deviations, and genetic correlations. Percent moisture, percent protein on a wet weight basis, and the growth traits: standard length, weight, and  $K$  yielded heritabilities of  $0.48 \pm .223$ ,  $0.73 \pm .316$ ,  $0.93 \pm .331$ ,  $0.99 \pm .338$ , and  $0.54 \pm .221$  respectively. Genetic alteration of percent protein on a wet weight basis may be accomplished effectively through selection directed toward weight. Inbreeding (at 4 levels) in rainbow trout was evaluated in relation to an altered environment (upper lethal temperature 29 C). In all cases inbreds were less resistant to lethal temperature than were respective outbred families. Inbred fish were 82% less resistant to lethal temperature as compared to the respective outbred family at 50% inbreeding and 19% less resistant at 25% inbreeding. Work continued on the evaluation of pondstocked fish combinations. Initial indications showed excellent growth. New work was initiated concerning the culture of channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*) and rainbow trout in dugout ponds. The fish were stocked at various stocking rates in approximately 30 dugouts.

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SOUTH DAKOTA FARM AND RANCH FISHERIES

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Proj. No.: SD00300 Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUN 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: determine the feasibility of culturing annual crops of channel catfish and rainbow trout in eastern South Dakota dugouts; determine the forage species which produce the greatest growth rates and harvestable biomass of largemouth bass in South Dakota ponds and determine the panfish species which, when stocked with largemouth bass, is least susceptible to overpopulation.

APPROACH: Ponds and dugouts will be stocked with a variety of fish species. Stocking rates, fish species, artificial feeding and other variables will be utilized to ascertain both sport and commercial value of selected South Dakota pondfish populations.

PROGRESS: 80/06 TO 80/12. Sixteen dugout ponds in eastcentral South Dakota were stocked with fingerling channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*) at stocking rates of 309, 618, 1235, and 1853/ha. After one growing season average weights for catfish at the various stocking rates were 180, 193, 173, and 105 g, respectively. Survival rates were 54, 34, 66, and 51%. Taste tests resulted in all fish rating as fair or better. Twenty-one dugouts were stocked with rainbow trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) at stocking rates of 200, 400, 600, 800/ha. Survival rates for the whole growing season were poor, however, growth and survival for approximately the first 2 months of the study were excellent. Average length for the initial 2 month period was 188 mm TL (135-239 mm range); average weight was 79 g (27-170 g range). A taste

panel rated all but one group of fish as at least fair to good. Analysis of data concerning the stocking of 80 South Dakota ponds with a number of different species compositions is being completed. Initial results indicate significant differences in first year growth of largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) and black bullheads (*A. melus*) between southern and northern quadrats. No difference in the first year growth rates of largemouth bass were observed among stocking combinations. First year survival of game species was 67.5% for black bullheads, 50.8% for largemouth bass, and 28.7% for bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*).

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/06 TO 80/12

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FISHERIES UNIT

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Proj. No.: SD00914 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 17 JAN 67 To 01 JAN 99

OBJECTIVES: Research various problems of fish and aquatic habitat in South Dakota.

APPROACH: Partial contribution by University to M/U between U and Cooperative Fishery Unit between U. S. Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and S. D. Department of Game, Fish, & Parks. Work program varies according to the annual agreement of the coordinating committee.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The study concerning fish interactions in a power plant cooling reservoir continued. The estimated standing crop of the 4 major forage fish species was 28.1 kg/ha. The forage fish population was dominated by age-groups I and II. Impingement of forage fishes was primarily restricted to young-of-the-year and highest impingement rates usually occurred in the evening. Muskellunge (*Esox masquinongy*) were most vulnerable to impingement during the first 2 months after their introduction. The growth rate of muskellunge in the reservoir (Age-II, 753 mm average; Age-I, 465 mm average) was higher than all reports for the species in North America. Alimentary canal development of muskellunge was studied with relation to invertebrate food sources. The most selected for food organism during both day and night was *Moina brachiata*. *Cyclops vernalis* was also selected for during night. Muskellunge selected against *Asplanchna sieboldi*, *Potamocypis* sp., and *Daphnia* sp. Food organisms collected from the foregut of fry collected at 2300 hours were significantly larger, but not more numerous, than those in the foregut of fry collected at 1300 hours. As the fry grew and the mouth diameter increased, the sizes of food organisms increased. Fry initially selected for the first and second instars of *M. brachiata* and against the later instars and adults; by day 23 they selected for adults and against immature instars.

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**FRESHWATER FCGD ANIMALS**

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Proj. No.: TEN00491 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop and improve production and management systems for Freshwater animals cultured for food.

**APPROACH:** Standard methods will be employed to determine the effects of steroids and selected marking techniques (branding, tagging, mutilation) on survival and growth of catfish. Polycultural methods using food fishes such as catfish, sunfish hybrids, etc., will be compared to monocultural practices as relating to growth and total production.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Experimentation evaluating the feasibility of polyculturing channel catfish and tilapia in a high-density, flow-through system was completed. Growth and condition of catfish were significantly reduced in all polyculture treatments as compared to monoculture treatment. Correlation of species densities (3:1, 6:1, 12:1 tilapia/catfish) and growth of catfish resulted in a significant negative relationship. Tilapia growth and condition were unaffected except at the highest stocking density. Water quality parameters were similar between the treatments, except for dissolved oxygen levels which at times were lower in the polyculture treatments. A tetracycline-resistant strain of *Edwardsiella tarda* was isolated from infected fish; this is the first report of this strain in channel catfish. Preliminary work was restricted to examine the feasibility of using freshwater mussels as a food source. Replicate samples using the washboard variety of mussel are being examined for composition, microbial profile, and quality of surrounding water.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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**CULTURE AND MANAGEMENT OF SELECTED GAME FISHES**

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Proj. No.: TEN00521 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Develop new management techniques and cultural methods for improving yields of game fishes in Tennessee waters by: Evaluating the feasibility of using selected non-native (exotic) species and/or hybrid fishes, and improved fish habitat management practices.

**APPROACH:** Ponds, raceways, and other holding facilities will be constructed to evaluate the potential of such fish as grass carp, mirror or other carps, tilapia, striped bass, hybrid sunfish, hybrid catfish, and other non-native species. Monospecific culture of selected fishes will be compared to polycultural techniques to determine production (kg/hectare). The use of different stocking rates, fertilization practices, and supplemental feeds will be evaluated as management practices. Culture techniques for hybrid sunfish and other selected

species will be determined and their potential for use in pond environments will be assessed. New management techniques for improving yields in game fish populations by habitat manipulation will be assessed. Research problems would include the evaluation of the effects of aquatic vegetation control on fish production; the effects of aquatic pesticides on yield of game fishes in ponds, streams, and reservoirs; the identification and control of fish parasites and diseases in game fishes; and the evaluation of biological agents as biofilters of waste materials in aquatic systems.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Data collection for two pond studies were completed and the data are being analyzed. In one study, over 250 Florida largemouth bass have been tagged and released in two different impoundments. All were weighed and measured; scales were removed to determine age composition of the population. In the second study, fingerling striped bass were stocked in two small impoundments to determine survival and growth. To date, 47 young-of-year and yearlings have been collected; indications are that survival is directly related to fingerling size and data of stocking. In a two-year investigation to determine food habits, movements, and general life history of striped bass, approximately 400 fish have been collected. Preliminary analyses indicate young-of-year striped bass utilize zoo plankton, principally midge larvae, as the primary source of food for some time subsequent to stocking. There is evidence of similar food habits for white bass, leading to the assumption of interspecific competition. A study has been initiated to evaluate the effects of fish attractors in Norris Lake.

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**SHRIMP MATURATION, REPRODUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, NUTRITION, INTENSIVE-EXTENSIVE CULTURE AND MARICULTURE**

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Proj. No.: TEX06325 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Obtain basic and applied knowledge required for development of penaeid shrimp mariculture as a successful industry. This includes reproduction in captivity, development of satisfactory dried prepared feeds and improvement of shrimp production from intensive and extensive culture.

**APPROACH:** Shrimp reproduction of natural populations will be biochemically and nutritionally characterized. Nutritional, environmental and cultural requirements for reproduction in captivity will be studied. By comparing reproduction obtained in captivity to baseline reproductive data from natural populations and evaluating laboratory experiments, the understanding of reproduction and basis for reproduction in captivity will be obtained. Shrimp nutrition will be evaluated by determining food conversion ratios, % assimilation values, growth rates, % mortalities, organ indices and biochemical changes to different dried prepared foods. Improvement of shrimp production from intensive (tank) and extensive (pond) culture will be from nutritional, salinity, temperature and polyculture studies.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. General objective of this project is to obtain technology with knowledge and understanding of basic biological principles necessary to establish shrimp mariculture as a new agricultural crop in Texas. Accomplishments for last year were: Construction of maturation/reproduction



facility at Corpus Christi; Maturation with spawning of fertile eggs of three species of marine shrimp, *Penaeus vannamei*, *P. stylirostris* and *P. setiferus*; Evaluation of lipid requirement in marine shrimp maturation/reproduction; Seedstock supply of marine shrimp is most limiting to establishment of shrimp mariculture in Texas. The preceding represent significant steps in removing this obstacle. Overwintering of broodstock in ponds receiving heated effluent. Overwintering of broodstock is a necessity for a guaranteed source of seedstock and future genetic/domestication studies. Determination of chill tolerance of brine shrimp larvae and importance of cryoprotectants and viability of marine shrimp frozen to -16 degrees C. The preceding represents a step toward cryopreservation of marine shrimp seedstock which will be required to guarantee seedstock supply at minimum cost. Determination of osmoregulation of juvenile and mature marine shrimp. Knowledge of osmoregulatory ability of marine shrimp is needed since sea water along Texas coast is variable.

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CULTURE OF AQUATIC ORGANISMS AND EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AT STEAM ELECTRIC PLANTS

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Proj. No.: TEX06462 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 80 To 31 DEC 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine which species are best suited for culture at specific sites and if they can be cultured commercially. Compare polyculture with monoculture and culture of mixed-age organisms with those of uniform age. Assess the potential of various culture systems for use at power plants. Investigate problems such as gas supersaturation in discharge water. Determine occurrence, abundance and distribution of wild species in areas influenced by a power plant and apply this information to culture.

APPROACH: Penaeid shrimp, blue crabs, various fishes and other appropriate organisms will be cultured in ponds and cages using intake and heated discharge waters. Commercial species will be emphasized. Environmental conditions at each research site will determine the species used. Ponds (0.1 hectare), cages, net pens and cooling ponds will be investigated as culture systems. Surveys of natural populations will be conducted and occurrence and abundance of organisms related with environmental factors.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Mariculture experiments were performed in heated brackish effluent of power plant. Blue crabs were grown in individual cages for soft shelled crab production. Expenses were high. Time between molts will have to be shortened for this method to be economic. Crabs were susceptible to gas bubble disease when kept in gas saturated water. *Fundulus grandis* (locally called mud minnows) were evaluated for salt water hait. Production was as high as 882 kg/ha and wholesale price was about \$14.30/kg. Culture of this species looks promising. The blue shrimp (*penaeus stylirostris*) was stocked July 17 and

18 and harvested December 6-7. Production was as high as 1244 kg/ha with a wholesale value of about \$5.50/kg. Because of slower growth and reduced survival, economic returns did not increase appreciably as stocking density was raised from 5 to 10 to 15 shrimp per square meter. Plans, for future experiments, are to use a shrimp species that has a better survival and growth at high stocking densities. Behavior studies of channel catfish cultured in variable depth cages indicated that the fish avoid both the surface and deepest water in cages. Water depths occupied by the water column increased with cage depth. Studies in the cooling reservoir of this plant showed good production of largemouth bass in conjunction with an expanding blue tilapia population.

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FRESHWATER SHRIMP OF THE GENUS *MACROBRACHIUM* WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON CULTURE

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Proj. No.: TEX06052 Project Type: RATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 JUL 73 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop & improve production & management systems for freshwater shrimp cultured for food & bait in Texas. Conduct field studies on natural history and ecology of freshwater shrimp to better understand their nutritional and environmental requirements.

APPROACH: Laboratory and field observations will be coordinated in studying nutritional and environmental requirements of *Macrobrachium* under culture conditions. Survival and growth will be indices most considered in evaluating treatments.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Studies undertaken within this project were highly varied in nature, in part because very little information on the culture of freshwater shrimp has been developed. Electrophoretic patterns of several species of freshwater shrimp were elaborated and the genetic implications of them addressed in one study. The basic nutritional requirements and nutritional physiology of *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* with respect to protein were outlined, giving rise to information on the protein-energy requirements of that species. The feasibility of rearing freshwater shrimp with tilapia was demonstrated. The responses of freshwater shrimp to degraded water quality was also addressed in an attempt to determine the limits within which this organism can live and grow.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FISH POPULATION AND PRODUCTION IN POND AND LAKE  
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Proj. No.: TEX06206

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 DEC 76 To 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine variations in fish population parameters in existing and planned floodwater retarding structures. Relate variations in fish population parameters to variations in management practices and biological, limnological and structural differences among reservoirs. Test and evaluate selected structural modifications and periodic management practices which will enhance fish production in floodwater retarding structure reservoirs.

APPROACH: Fish population characteristics of selected reservoirs will be measured and correlated with physical, chemical and biological characteristics of the reservoirs. Selected management techniques will be experimentally evaluated.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Farm and ranch ponds provide the potential for substantial food production and recreation close to rural residences. Florida largemouth bass have been widely stocked into Texas waters, with little known of their ecological requirements and interactions with native northern largemouth bass. Research on these two subspecies indicated that Florida bass were more susceptible to cold shock, which can occur at the time of stocking, than are northern bass. Intergradation between the subspecies occurs when stocked together, but rates of intergradation vary with pond characteristics, particularly water clarity. Intergradation has occurred within several hatchery stocks in Texas and the genetic integrity of fish stocked throughout the state likely has frequently been mistaken. Studies of floodwater retarding structures indicated that channel catfish populations were largely related to physical conditions, whereas biological conditions were most important to largemouth bass. Summer drawdown of floodwater retarding structures can be used to increase water clarity of turbid lakes without long-lasting direct effects on fish populations. Two new studies on larger impoundments were initiated during 1980. In Lake Conroe, baseline data were collected for evaluation of effects of vegetation control to be initiated in early 1981.

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## FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food, including: Nutrition, genetics and breeding, water quality, diseases, and culture systems. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Various methods will be utilized to meet the objectives of the overall S-38 project in the several cooperating institutions. The thrust of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station will be on channel catfish, Tilapia and freshwater shrimp, with emphasis being placed on objectives I above, especially nutrition, water quality and culture systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Lipid energy requirements of channel catfish fry were evaluated with semipurified diets over the period from onset of feeding until the fish reached several grams in weight. The data obtained will be utilized to aid in the preparation of fry feeds specifically developed for channel catfish. It is anticipated that the protein: energy ratio will be adjusted as food particle size is increased during the initial year of life. Semipurified diets with varying lipid sources and percentages revealed no significant differences in channel catfish fingerling growth over the lipid range from 6 to 14% at a mean temperature of 22 degrees C, though fish fed 10% lipid were slightly larger in mean size at the end of the 20 week experiment. Fatty acid composition revealed that there were no significantly different patterns among diets with the same lipid source, but there were differences among lipid sources with respect to final fatty acid composition. Polyculture studies with freshwater shrimp and tilapia revealed some depressed growth when the two were stocked together, but in general, feeding on the basis of estimated fish biomass will yield a secondary shrimp crop, without the need to provide shrimp feed. Overwintering of large numbers of tilapia is being conducted to determine if the technique is feasible for use in central Texas and to provide fish for a study of second year growth potential of this fish. Plastic and fiberglass covered ponds as well as indoor overwintering facilities are being compared.

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EFFECTS ON SELECTED ORGANISMS OF WATER PASSING  
THROUGH THE CEDAR BAYOU GENERATING STATIONSTRAWN K; ALDRICH D V; NEILL W E; WILDLIFE &  
FISBERIES SCI; TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION,  
TEXAS. 77843.

Proj. No.: TEX01869

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 APR 71 To 01 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the suitability of electric power plant cooling water for growth, food conversion, and survival of selected species of crustaceans and fishes in cages, ponds, and temperature-controlled tanks.

APPROACH: Animals will be held in cages in front of the plant intake and in the discharge canal; in fish ponds located near the start of the discharge canal; and in aquaria in a laboratory to be built near the fish ponds. After the construction of the cooling pond, animals will be kept in cages in its first and last compartments and occurrence and distribution of selected organisms in the cooling pond will be determined. Temperatures in the aquaria will span the range of temperatures usually occurring in Trinity Bay. The influence of the effluent on phytoplankters both in the field and in culture will also be determined.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Species most suited for commercial production in the vast quantities of water pumped by the Cedar Bayou Generating Station are being identified and raised to evaluate their potential. Blue shrimp (*Penaeus stylirostris*) survived low salinities (2% or less for over half of



the culture period) associated with heavy rain falls during the Summer of 1979, but survival and production were down. Quality of harvested shrimp was excellent. Staggered stocking of postlarvae appeared superior to a single stocking. Mud minnows (*Fundulus grandis*) were raised for marine live bait. Local fish performed better than a pond-raised stock from Alabama. Some spawning occurred all summer. Polyculture of black drum (*Pogonias chromis*) and striped mullet (*Mugil cephalus*) was superior to monoculture. New pens are better than cages for black drum culture, because they are cheaper to construct and less labor intensive.

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#### CAGE CULTURE OF TILAPIA IN THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

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Proj. No.: VI00024

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Develop practical cage culture methods of tilapia fish production suitable to the freshwater resources of the Virgin Islands. Evaluate the acceptability of tilapia as a food fish by the local populace.

APPROACH: Various tilapia species and their hybrids will be evaluated under similar growing conditions for use in freshwater cage culture production systems. Imported commercial pelleted fish feed will be compared to themselves and other animal feeds for cage culture use. Feeds comprised of locally produced ingredients will be formulated and evaluated for tilapia culture in cages. Stocking densities, the use of sliding feeding-rate schedules, and the evaluation of monosex cultures obtained by mechanical grading or hand sexing of tilapia (separation of sexes by observing sexually dimorphic external characteristics.) will be investigated for fish production in cages under Virgin Islands pond conditions. Fish produced in cage culture research will be evaluated by taste panels and sold to the public. Acceptability of tilapia as a food fish will be evaluated by questionnaires and the actual marketability of the fish when compared to locally caught salt water species.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An experiment, presently in its twelfth month, was conducted to evaluate three commercial feeds, each of which was fed to caged tilapia according to three feeding rate schedules. The feeds were floating catfish pellets from Purina (#5140) and Sunshine Mills (Tupelo, MS) and sinking crumbles (Tilapia Finisher) from Central Soya (San Juan, PR). The protein content was 32% for Purina and Sunshine and 30% for Central Soya. The treatments were replicated three times with a stocking rate of 200 fish/m<sup>3</sup>. The feeding rate schedules were 3% of body weight throughout the experiment, 5% for 2 months followed by reductions to 4,3,2 and 1% at monthly intervals (time slide) and thereafter maintained at 1%, and 5% to a mean weight of 60 g followed by reductions to 3% up to 100 g, 2% up to

150 g and 1% up to harvest (weight slide). The fish were fed once per day, 6 days per week, for 270 feeding days. After 6 months, the Central Soya treatments were discontinued because feed was lost through the cage sides during feeding, resulting in low growth rates. Analysis of the data after 11 months indicates that more growth was obtained with Purina. Mean weights for Purina were 269 g (3%), 246 g (time slide) and 301 g (weight slide) compared to respective mean weights of 229, 220 and 225 g for Sunshine. The cage mesh, (6-mm Vexar) partially clogged with algae and prevented adequate water circulation, contributing to low dissolved oxygen levels and growth rates, which generally averaged less than 1 g/day.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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#### FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: VI00021

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 14 JUL 78 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and improve production and management systems for freshwater animals cultured for food.

APPROACH: Tilapia (*Sarotherodon* sp.) will be cultured in both static and recirculated water systems utilizing circular plastic pools (3.7 m X .9 m) as experimental units. These units will be evaluated as production facilities for fingerling fish and as grow-out facilities for market-sized fish available for human consumption. The study will evaluate such variables as fish species utilized, stocking density, use of available feeds and animal manures as nutrient sources, and the use of simple water recirculation systems as applicable to the grow-out units. Total fish production, per cent fish survival, feed conversions and pertinent water quality parameters will be monitored. Fingerling production research will study the effects of brood fish necessary to maximize production. All research will be coordinated toward the development of an integrated plan of optimal tilapia production in small modular fish culture systems.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A research facility was established for the study of recirculating fish culture-hydroponic systems and tilapia fingerling production in small pools. A fenced site, (320' x 120') was leveled and water lines, drain lines and electrical receptacles were installed. A field laboratory was upgraded to include six electric meters for monitoring power consumption by the recirculating systems. A total of 34 circular swimming pools have been erected and six recirculating systems are being constructed. A small prototype recirculating system was constructed and is being evaluated.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### CAGE CULTURE OF FISH IN THE VIRGIN ISLANDS UTILIZING TERTIARY TREATED WATER

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Proj. No.: VI00009

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 04 JUN 73 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Develop a practical system of cage culture for Tilapia aurea; and determine feasibility of cage culture of Tilapia as a productive farm enterprise.

APPROACH: Rates of gain, cost of production and returns will be determined for four different feeding regimens and different stocking rates.

PROGRESS: 73/06 TO 79/09. Cage culture research was initially conducted in four 0.4-ha ponds that were constructed for this project. Before any significant research results were obtained, the ponds had to be abandoned because the treatment plant supplying tertiary treated wastewater to the ponds shut down for 3 years for repairs. An alternate facility, a 1-ha watershed pond, was located in 1977. A total of 41 cages and 2 rafts were established in this pond to study the culture of tilapia. Support facilities, including a water quality lab, were gradually developed. Four experiments and one marketing study were conducted. Tilapia (*Tilapia aurea*) in aquaria were fed catfish feed, chicken feed or coconut meal. Catfish feed produced the greatest growth while coconut meal produced the least growth. Tilapia fed at three rates in raceways, supplied by tertiary treated wastewater, exhibited the best growth and feed conversion at rates of 2 and 3% of body wt., but growth rates were low, 0.6 and 0.8 g/fish/day, respectively. Tilapia in 0.5 m<sup>3</sup> cages were fed catfish feed at rates ranging from 1 to 5%. Feed costs at the 2 and 3% rates were the most economical and amounted to 62 and 84 cents/kg of fish production, respectively. The growth of *T. aurea* and *T. mossambica* were compared. Greater growth and survival were exhibited by *T. mossambica* at the 0 (control), 1 and 2% feeding rates while the growth and feed conversion of *T. aurea* was superior at the 3 and 4% rates.

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006.101 CRIS0065679  
RESPONSE OF FISHES AND AQUATIC SYSTEMS TO ELECTRIC  
SHOCK AND CAPTURE TECHNOLOGY

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Proj. No.: VA-0202361 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the effects of electronarcosis on physiological processes in fishes; examine electroshocking efficiency as a collecting tool in fisheries management practices; and develop decision making methodologies to be used in alternative management strategies.

APPROACH: Physiological evaluations of electrically-anesthetically-and handle-stressed fish, primarily using hemal parameters; laboratory and field studies employing various species and habitat types subjected to collecting procedures, and computer simulation of selected fisheries to test management strategies.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. No progress report this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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006.102\* CRIS0062572  
DEVELOP OF AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS FOR COOL WATER FISH SPECIES

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Proj. No.: WIS01953 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 72 To 30 AUG 81

OBJECTIVES: Maintain a facility for fish growing operations and research as a service unit. Improve the reproductive efficiency of cool water species of fish to be used in aquaculture. Improve the acceptability and nutritive value of formulated feeds used in aquaculture. Improve methods of yellow perch fingerling production.

APPROACH: The aquaculture research facility at 6080 McKee Road, Madison, WI and the outside ponds on the UW Experimental Farms will be maintained and operated to provide research facilities and fish to be used in aquaculture research. Selective breeding of yellow perch and other cool water species will be used to improve the strains of fish and adapt them to aquaculture operations. Studies on the preservation of fish sperm, ova, and fertilized eggs by cryobiological methods will be made. Various types of protein sources will be investigated for incorporation into formulated diets used in fish growing operations. The care, management and productivity of outside ponds for fingerling production will be investigated.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Project emphasis over the past 4 years has been on developing methods of commercially culturing yellow perch indoors in closed water-recycling systems. Research has shown that this type of culture is technically feasible, through the application of sanitary engineering principles but is too capital intensive for commercial development. Project emphasis has been shifted to pond, raceway and cage culture, both for commercial applications and wild fisheries enhancement. The project has also worked extensively on diet development, control of reproduction, cryopreservation of sperm, and fingerling production of coolwater species of fish. Dietary recommendations regarding coolwater fish production have been made available through the National Coolwater Fish Diet Steering Committee. Methods for controlling reproduction in coolwater fish have been developed and applied to improve the predictability of spawning. Sperm from yellow perch, northern pike and walleye have been frozen, stored and later used to fertilize eggs. Such research will aid in improving the efficiency and profitability of fish rearing operations, whether they be for commercial purposes or fishery enhancement.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

## 7. Harvesting and Handling

007.001\* CRIS0078875  
CULTURE SYSTEMS FOR YEAR-ROUND MARKETING OF FISH FROM WATERSHED PONDS

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36830.  
Proj. No.: ALA00496 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 APR 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop techniques for producing, harvesting, and marketing aquacultural crops from watershed ponds throughout the year.

APPROACH: Channel catfish, tilapia, silver carp, and rainbow trout will be produced in watershed ponds up to 8.9 ha. Partial harvesting with cages, drop nets and corral seines will be evaluated to extend the marketing season and to improve cash flow.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. *Tilapia aurea* fingerlings cultured in cages at stocking rates of 400, 800, 1200, and 1600/m<sup>3</sup> for 92 days gained an average of 127, 124, 114, and 100 grams, respectively. The weight of fish in a cage was more important than the number; growth was reduced as the standing crop exceeded approximately 100 kilograms/m<sup>3</sup>. *Tilapia* in cages were fed a standard ration. One treatment received the daily allotment in one feeding; the other treatment had its daily ration divided into two feedings per day. After two months, fish fed once per day gained an average of 129 grams, those fed twice per day gained 149 grams, an increase of 16% due to feeding frequency. Blue tilapia (*T. aurea*) and golden hybrids (*T. hornorum* x *T. mossambica*) were cultured in cages. At harvest, male golden hybrids averaged 435 grams, while male blue tilapia averaged 288 grams. Female golden hybrids averaged 173 grams and female blue tilapia were 254 grams. Male golden hybrids and both male and female blue tilapia were 100% marketable (total length 19 cm) but only 67% of the golden hybrid females were marketable.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

007.002\* CRIS0068896  
PRAWN AQUACULTURAL ENGINEERING

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Proj. No.: BAW00524 Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 75 TO 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop a harvesting system, including equipment and strategy, for the continuous production of prawn in Hawaii. Further investigate and evaluate high density nursery culture. Develop a post-harvest handling system for live prawn for both local and export market. Develop an engineering-economic analysis model to evaluate alternative prawn production system.

APPROACH: Prototype harvesting equipment will be field tested and a suitable harvesting strategy developed. Experiments will be carried out to determine the effects of density and size on nursery mortality rates and growth rates. Storage and transportation of live animal under low temperature will be tested in the laboratory. An engineering economic analysis of prawn production using nursery stocking strategy and inventory pond will be performed to determine optimum harvesting strategy and facility requirements.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A simple net reel was designed and fabricated. It mounts on a standard three point hitch and is powered by the tractor hydraulics. Using the reel, one man can pick up or set a prawn harvesting seine for a 40 m wide pond in 5-10 minutes. The net reel is being field tested by local prawn farmers. Prawn physical dimensions of engineering significance, such as overall length, tail length, orbit length, height, width, and mass are being collected and analyzed. Relationships of various dimensions to orbit length and mass will be determined. Live transport of prawn was investigated. Life support was limited to bubbling air in water and temperature control. The initial 18 liter of water per 1 kg prawn was not changed or filtered. Dissolved oxygen was above 7.0 ppm and temperature 16 to 18 degrees C. No mortalities were experienced in the first 20 hours. Two replications did not have a mortality for 114 hours. If the initial mortality was not removed, the mortality rate increased rapidly. Conditioning and selection of prawn before transport appear significant to the length of transport allowed.

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007.003 CRIS0073715  
POST-HARVEST HANDLING AND PROCESSING OF MACROBRACHIUM PRAWNS

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Proj. No.: BAW00576-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Define the quality of fresh and cooked prawns in terms of physical, chemical, bacteriological and organoleptic attributes. Assess the effect of various processing techniques (freezing, holding, packaging, storage and thawing) on the quality of the frozen prawns. Determine and recommend a set of handling, holding and processing conditions in terms of acceptable quality of frozen prawns for long term storage.

APPROACH: Zero-time control samples will be analyzed in terms of texture, pH, trimethylamine, collagen, and salt content, bacterial count and taste score. Prawns will be processed, stored and analyzed for the various quality attributes. Optimum conditions for processing, packaging and storing of frozen prawns will be determined based on the above results.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 80/12. Various postharvest handling and freezing procedures for the freshwater prawn, *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* were tested. Results of the frozen storage stability studies (6 mos) suggested that prawns may be chilled up to 48 hrs, then frozen and still maintain acceptable quality; the quality of prawns held under chilled conditions 48 hrs after thawing was still acceptable; post-blanching chilled storage may not be a practical prefreezing technique for commercial preservation and marketing of frozen prawns; and prawns can be frozen either in air or in brine at -18 degrees C, packaged in polythene bags with or without vacuum, or frozen in ice-blocks, and still maintain acceptable quality. Effect of purging on quality factors and cost-effectiveness were also tested. No significant difference (p less than or equal to 0.05) was found between the purged prawns and the control in their muscle's pH, ammonia content, soluble/insoluble collagen ratio, and peak height/plateau height ratio. However, the decrease in pH and peak height/plateau height ratio, and the increase in ammonia content and soluble/insoluble collagen with ice-chilled time were highly significant (p less than or equal to 0.01), indicating a gradual quality degradation when stored on ice. Postharvest purging helped to improve the appearance of the prawn but its cost-effectiveness based on economic feasibility analysis was doubtful.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 80/12  
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007.004\* CRIS0079383  
DEVELOPMENT OF OPTIMUM SUSTAINED YIELD OF FISHES IN FARM PONDS

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Proj. No.: KAN00118 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 79 TO 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop and manage methods to achieve a higher usable yield of largemouth bass and bluegill by evaluating the protected range size limit and total weight limit as a method to prevent over-harvest of bass and maintain high quality bass yield, testing different levels of bluegill harvest to determine the level which will yield the optimum size structure. Develop low level supplemental feeding programs which will yield desired amounts of channel catfish at minimum cost.

APPROACH: Farm ponds with populations of largemouth bass and bluegill will be used. The bass harvest will be regulated by following a 30 cm to 38 cm protected range size limit along with a 22 kg/ha/yr weight limit. Bluegill will be harvested at three levels: 11, 34, and 90 kg/ha/yr. Results will be evaluated by

the size structure of fish harvested, population structure of fish in pond (by electrofishing), reproductive success. Some ponds will be stocked only with channel catfish at a rate of 250/ha plus the number of one pound fish desired by the pond owners. They will be fed at amount 3% of body wt/day. Feed adjustments will be made based on calculated growth. The quota by number will be harvested each year and intermediate replacements stocked. Evaluated by size of fish harvested, cost/pound of fish harvested.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. One phase of this project deals with evaluating the population structure of largemouth bass and bluegill in nine ponds subjected to three different levels of bluegill harvest. The bass harvest was the same level in all ponds. The study was initiated during the Summer of 1979 so only the ponds with old established populations were harvested. All fish harvested were measured to determine size structure of the catch. Also the pond populations were sampled and the size structure determined. It is too early in the study to present results. The other phase of the project involves low level supplemental feeding of channel catfish in six additional ponds. Three harvest goals were set (100, 150, and 200 fish per pond). Calculated amounts of feed were fed three times per week. The harvest goals were not quite reached in the ponds. The fish harvested in most ponds averaged over one pound each. The feed conversion (wt. fed/net wt. harvested) ranged from 1.27 to 2.39.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### 007.005\* CRIS0084700 MECHANIZATION OF CRAWFISH HARVESTING AND PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: LAB02184 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 81 To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: Develop one or more methods to mechanically harvest crawfish. Mechanize and develop aeration, water management and other systems for crawfish production.

APPROACH: The development of one or more mechanical harvesters and other mechanical devices will relate to practical application needs. The primary harvesting method to be pursued is formulated around a relatively expensive baited trap. The trap design permits easy entrance but makes exit difficult. The added entrance-exit design requirements and the stronger construction needed for mechanical handling make the trap relatively expensive. The expense is defrayed by highly efficient use, characterized by frequent movement. A large number of trap placements per unit area and the frequent movement of the traps will be feasible with a mechanical carrier. The carrier will be self propelled and programmed with timers to remain stationary for given time periods and to move given distances. A device will be made to lower, raise and invert the trap for emptying. Crawfish will be deposited in an inclined pipe through which they will be transported by a stream of water to the end of the wide-span carrier. A linear move irrigator may serve as a carrier and would also be used to aerate the water.

#### 007.006\* CRIS0082871 MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES FOR INCREASING CRAWFISH PRODUCTION

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Proj. No.: LAB02133 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 80 To 30 SEP 85

OBJECTIVES: Develop better methods of harvesting crawfish. Develop forage/feeding schemes to maximize crawfish yields. Multiple crop crawfish with rice, soybeans and other crops on the same lands. Improve methods of maintaining optimum water quality.

APPROACH: Most of the research will be carried out in replicated Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station ponds using field-plot techniques. Outfield research will be conducted in commercial ponds. Pesticide research will be conducted in the field and in the lab.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. During reporting period research continued on: improved methods of harvesting crawfish; evaluation of artificial baits for harvesting crawfish; and evaluation of two varieties of rice, Saturo and LaBelle with and without fertilizer, as forages for crawfish. Such research established under LAB01192 which was terminated 31 Oct 1980.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 007.007\* CRIS0067268 ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS ON PRODUCTIVITY OF CRAWFISH IN POND HABITATS, PHASE I, II

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Proj. No.: LA.X-PR-0001-8-15-66

Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 29 OCT 74 To 28 OCT 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the type and amount of food that will yield the best production. Determine the most efficient harvesting method in small ponds. Investigate an early and extended crayfish season in small ponds.

APPROACH: Literature and cooperating personnel will supplement our selection of food types and amount during the feeding season. Standard diets, seines, modified traps and diets will be used. The possible use of chemicals and electric devices will be investigated. Systematic regulation of water will be maintained, to determine the possibility of increase and decrease of water level on an extended season. Statistical analysis will be made.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Feeding: Data obtained from the crayfish project indicated that feeding and fertilizing had great impact on productivity. Feed with a high protein percentage favored productivity, consequently, fish pellets are highly recommended in the feeding regime. Harvesting: Four different traps were constructed and placed in water depth of 120, 90, 60 and 30 cm respectively. The total weight of each catch per trap was recorded. On the basis of results obtained, Type I trap with 1.5cm mesh wire construction, barrel shape design, 70cm long, 30cm wide with two funnel openings at the bottom is recommended for utilization from January through June. Dual Crop of Crayfish and Fish: 205 fingerlings of hybrid buffalo fish were added to each of the two crayfish ponds. Rice was planted in each pond. None of the fish reached market size over this phase of the investigation but the preliminary results indicate that it is feasible to rear crayfish and these fish in the same pond. Cost Yield Ratio: Based upon average crayfish price, net profits of \$85.82 in Pond I and \$338.83 in Pond II were realized, thereby indicating the feasibility of commercial crayfish production under small pond conditions.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

#### 007.008\* CRIS0064935 DISTRIBUTION, ABUNDANCE AND ECOLOGY OF ASCOPYLLUM NOBOSUM (1) LE JOIS



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Proj. No.: ME08459 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 FEB 74 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine: Distribution and abundance  
patterns of *A. nodosum* in Maine, growth, reproductive,  
age and biomass patterns on exposed, semi-exposed and  
sheltered shores; biomass of *Fucus* spp., value of  
aerial photography and infrared film for *A. nodosum*  
surveys; methods to enhance colonization of *A.*  
*nodosum*; harvestable yields of *A. nodosum*.

APPROACH: Permanent and randomly selected sites will be  
utilized to survey the algal resource and study  
growth patterns. Samples will be taken seasonally.  
Experimental studies on colonization will be  
conducted in situ and in simulated tide cycles in  
running seawater tanks.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Four study areas were  
established in 1980 making a total of six in two  
major areas (Northeast and Southeast) of the coast.  
The percent cover and biomass of *Ascophyllum* and  
*Fucus* spp. were determined in belt transects and in  
10 x 100 cm quadrats, respectively. Samples were  
stratified by intertidal height. Biomass and growth  
and density of plants and apical growing points were  
measured to determine growth and productivity  
potentials. Reproductive output was measured in Fall  
1980 for plants at the six sites. Data measurements  
are nearly complete for these sites (through Fall  
1980). Computer programming and analysis will be  
initiated in spring 1981. Field colonization studies  
involving *Ascophyllum* during 1980 were not  
successful. Only a few recruits developed (to 2-5 mm)  
from approximately 130 experimental plots involving  
millions of fertilized eggs. Some promising leads  
will be followed up during 1981. Colonization  
experiments in running seawater from these same eggs  
showed excellent growth and survival for 1 to 2  
months until adversely affected by sedimentation.

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FACTORS AFFECTING THE TEXTURE OF SEAFOODS

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Proj. No.: NC02113 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Investigate factors affecting the texture  
of products made from mechanically deboned fish  
tissue, collect texture data on several species and  
commercial handling procedures develop methods for  
improving texture, and develop products from N. C.  
coast species that have commercial potential.

APPROACH: Atlantic croaker and other species will be  
studied to determine the effect of harvesting,  
handling and processing conditions on protein  
denaturation and resulting poor texture. Major muscle  
proteins will be separated into sarcoplasmic protein  
and individual myofibrillar protein such as myosin  
and actin to study their roles in gel formation,  
water binding, etc. Enzyme activity during heating  
and resulting protein changes will be determined.  
Results will be applied to development or improvement  
of specific products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An alkaline protease found  
in mechanically deboned fish has been shown to be  
derived from both muscle tissue and visceral  
contamination and to cause texture breakdown during  
thermal processing of fish gels. Alkaline protease  
was partially purified from both muscle and liver  
tissue (both enzymes being cytoplasmic in nature and  
heat stable). The muscle protease is a sulfhydryl

protease and does not require  $Ca^{++}$  for its  
activity while the liver enzyme(s) is  $Ca^{++}$ -  
activated. Several Atlantic fish species have been  
examined with respect to the textural properties of  
gels prepared from the washed and unwashed minces.  
Processing factors which affect the textural  
characteristics of fish gels include processing  
temperature/time, pressure, method of comminution,  
additives (oil, egg and whey albumine, various  
starches and hydrocolloids), method of forming, and  
frozen storage. Several simulated shellfish meats  
have been successfully fabricated based on washed  
mince (surimi) such as shrimp, clam strips and  
scallops. Work is processing to develop appropriate  
electrophoretic, isoelectric focusing and/or  
immunoelectrophoretic techniques for the  
determination of species composition of minced fish  
and surimi blocks.

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Radio-labeled Protein Substrates. J. Food Sci.  
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Alkaline Protease from the Skeletal Muscle of  
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007.010 CRIS0075507  
DEVELOPMENT OF IMPROVED HANDLING, SHIPPING/STORAGE  
AND MARKETING PRACTICES FOR FISHERY PRODUCTS

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Proj. No.: NC02113 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Describe the factors which contribute to  
loss of quality in fresh and frozen raw seafoods,  
develop and test rapid methods of quality assessment  
and evaluate new handling, packaging,  
storage/shipment and marketing techniques for their  
potential in improving market life and quality of  
these products.

APPROACH: North Carolina seafood species will be  
studied to determine how handling, processing and  
storage methods may be imposed to minimize quality  
deterioration due to bacterial and autolytic  
processes. Gross and specific enzyme assays will be  
used to identify the source and mode of action of  
degradative enzyme systems. Various packaging and  
storage regimes, involving both refrigerator and  
freezer temperatures, will be tested in combination  
with various prestorage treatments (sanitizers,  
antioxidants, etc.) to improve market life of fishery  
products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Freeze thaw handling as a  
means of merchandising prepackaged fish appears to be  
feasible from both a technical and marketing  
standpoint. Previous supermarket sales tests  
demonstrated the acceptability of chilled fish  
labeled "previously-frozen." Vacuum-packaged fish  
previously frozen for 100 days at -20 degrees C,  
thawed and held chilled were found to have a saleable  
life equal to that of fresh fish from the same lot  
stored chilled in an identical manner. Shelf-life  
studies of fresh and previously-frozen grey trout are  
continuing in order to evaluate modified atmosphere  
packaging, various predrips and thorough washing prior  
to packaging as means of extending the life. Analyses  
will include: changes in the microbial flora on the  
surface, changes in gaseous composition within the  
package. A second consumer test will compare sales of  
prepackaged (modified atmosphere) fresh and  
previously-frozen fish (co-labeled) with that of  
vacuum packaged frozen fish.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

007.011  
FISHERIES EQUIPMENT AND GEAR DEVELOPMENT

CRIS0067349

PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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Proj. No.: R100750 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 TO 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Gain an in-depth understanding of the hydrodynamic and mechanical behavior patterns of trawling equipment and gear in its fishing environment. Keep fishermen that are engaged in appropriate operations informed of experimental results and obtain their assistance in providing field trials data.

APPROACH: Develop facilities and equipment capability, both laboratory and shipboard, for the study of fishing gear and its associated equipment. Conduct full-scale instrumented trials on selected components of the total trawl system in order to identify the contribution of component variation to the fishing attitude and performance of the system. Conduct tank tests with scale model of trawls in collaboration with local "highline" skippers. These tests will be conducted by applying known hydrodynamic scaling laws and used as a general gear design medium.

PROGRESS: 75/07 TO 79/09. Fishing trawls were tested in several ways using a test tank as well as conducting instrumented tests at sea in attempts to improve fish catch by improving trawl gear. The research resulted in 1) the development of a towing tank with appropriate instrumentation; 2) the discovery of otterboard physical characteristics which would enable improved design; 3) otterboard design modifications which improved net spreading ability and increased fish catches; 4) establishing techniques for evaluating towing capability of fishing vessels associated with trawl gear.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/07 TO 79/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

007.012\* CRIS0081987  
EQUIPMENT FOR MECHANIZATION OF PRODUCTION OF OYSTERS  
AND OTHER SHELLFISH

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Proj. No.: SC00457 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 80 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate mechanical equipment for harvesting and transplanting oysters. Conduct environmental impact study of a mechanical harvesting system. Investigate the feasibility of mechanically handling and harvesting hard clams in a tray/raft culture system. Develop equipment for deheading fresh market shrimp.

APPROACH: Evaluate the efficiency and yield of a mechanical oyster harvester in relation to several different harvest methods. Conduct a two year study to determine perturbations, if any, of mechanical harvesting on the environment and develop, if necessary, practices which would mitigate these perturbations. Develop a mechanized system for handling and harvesting tray/raft cultured hard clams. Three systems will be investigated for orienting and deheading shrimp from which a commercial machine will be developed.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. The mechanical oyster harvester was out of the water for repairs and maintenance during this period. Testing should begin in the Spring of 81. Physical properties data on shrimp were obtained and initial design work started for the shrimp deheader. Location of the thickest part of the shrimp and its center of gravity were found. The two parameters are located at different positions along the longitudinal axis of the shrimp and this will be used to generate the necessary force to orient the shrimp for deheading.

007.013\* CRIS0068717  
DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION OF OYSTER HARVESTING  
EQUIPMENT AND MARICULTURE SYSTEMS

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Proj. No.: SC00114 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop and evaluate mechanical equipment for harvesting oysters. Evaluate damage by mechanical harvesting systems to oyster beds, remaining oysters and other marine organisms. Investigate systems for shellfish production including spawning systems, seed stock production and grow-out systems, handling systems and feeding systems.

APPROACH: Physical data of oyster beds will be translated into design constraints to construct an oyster harvester. Field tests will be made for evaluating machine performance and monitoring effects on marine life. Engineering systems for planting shell, harvesting and transplanting seed oysters, materials handling and harvesting schedules will be developed. Computer models will be used for optimization.

PROGRESS: 75/07 TO 80/09. A mechanical oyster harvester has been developed and tested in South Carolina estuaries. An 11.5 meter steel hull house boat was salvaged and modified to carry the oyster harvester. This modification included extending the hull to 14 meters, mounting a winch and boom system to raise the head, constructing a conveyor system to handle the oysters and mounting three engines on the vessel. The most important consideration in developing a machine to harvest oysters is protection of the fragile shell matrix or bed on which the oysters grow. Therefore, an automatic system to control harvester force exerted on the bottom was developed that can precisely regulate the force exerted on the shell matrix through a varying depth range of 1 to 3 meters. The head can operate on bottom contours with pitch and roll angles of .35 radians. Harvest rates of 20 m<sup>3</sup>/hr were obtained with damage to the oysters and shell matrix equal to or less than that of hand harvesting.

PUBLICATIONS: 75/07 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

007.014 CRIS0064807  
MICROBIOLOGICAL ASPECTS TO SHELLFISH SANITATION AND  
QUALITY

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Proj. No.: TEX06054 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 07 JAN 74 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the level and seasonal distribution of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* in freshly harvested oysters, clams and mussels. The effect of processing and handling procedures in wholesale and retail operations on *V. parahaemolyticus* also will be studied. Data on environmental and water characteristics will be used to examine possible relations between microbiological quality of seafoods and environmental characteristics.

APPROACH: Oysters, clams and mussels from Galveston Bay and waters and sediment from these areas will be examined for microbiological parameters (*V. parahaemolyticus*, coliforms, fecal coliforms, etc.).

PROGRESS: 74/01 TO 80/01. *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* is a potential pathogen transmitted to humans by consumption of contaminated seafoods. *V. parahaemolyticus* was present in low concentrations in about 60% of oysters, water and sediment of the Gulf of Mexico. No seasonal distribution of this organism was noted. There was no significant relationship



between levels of *V. parahaemolyticus* and other bacteriological or environmental parameters. No increases in *V. parahaemolyticus* concentrations of seafood occurred when good processing practices were applied. Most seafood isolates of *V. parahaemolyticus* belonged to serotype O5: K17 and differed from typical clinical isolates. Few were hemolytic (Kanagawa-positive). Kanagawa-positive and Kanagawa-negative strains of *V. parahaemolyticus* were examined for enterotoxigenicity, enteropathogenicity, drug resistance and plasmid DNA content. No significant relationship existed between cultural characteristics and indices of pathogenicity. Only 3 of 31 strains, all patient isolates, contained plasmid DNA with molecular weights of 24 or 60 million daltons.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/01 TO 80/01  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

007.015 CRIS0056948  
IMPROVING SURFACE WATER CONDITIONS THROUGH CONTROL  
AND DISPOSAL OF AQUATIC VEGETATION

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Proj. No.: WIS05032 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 68 To 30 JUN 78

OBJECTIVES: Increase aquatic vegetation harvesting equipment capacity, reduce harvesting costs, and develop methods and procedures for utilizing aquatic vegetation.

APPROACH: New theories of harvesting methods are being investigated. Laboratory studies are being made of new types of functional components of harvesting equipment. Prototypes of promising equipment are being constructed and tested in the lake. Processing of aquatic vegetation is being investigated to determine its feeding value after processing and methods of increasing palatability.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. High-speed aquatic plant cutters were built and tested to determine requirements. Two low-capital harvesting systems involving stationary removal equipment and in-water transport of cut vegetation were monitored.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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LIVERMORE, D.F. and KEGEL, R.G. 1979. Mechanical Harvesting of Aquatic Plants: An Assessment of the State of the Art. Proceedings 2/79, Institute for Environmental Studies, U. of Wis.-Madison.

007.016 CRIS0083616  
METHODS OF MODIFIED-ATMOSPHERE PRESERVATION OF  
REFRIGERATED FRESH FISH

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Proj. No.: WIS05171 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 80 To 31 JUL 82

OBJECTIVES: To investigate the modified-atmosphere packaging of fresh fish with special emphasis on the behavior of *Clostridium botulinum* Type E in conditions of short-term, high abuse temperatures. To investigate the behavior of *C. botulinum* Type E in long-term storage under refrigeration conditions with particular reference to the effects and influences of sorbic acid and varying atmospheres. To develop practical and effective methods for assessing the potential shelflife of modified-atmosphere packaged fresh fish.

APPROACH: Fresh and saltwater species of fish will be obtained from commercial sources, and packaged in a range of modified-atmospheres, including carbon dioxide mixtures. Samples will be inoculated with mixed-strain *C. botulinum* spores and held under a

range of conditions, including temperature abuses (60 degree - 90 degree F) up to 72 hours. Toxigenesis will be determined by mouse bioassays. Methods will be evaluated for assuring safety from *C. botulinum*, and will include carbon dioxide atmospheres, chemical preservation with potassium sorbate, and other food-approved additives. Microbiological and chemical indices for quality will be evaluated for application to preserved fish.

## 8. Processing and Product Development

008.001\* CRIS0058561  
FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ALA00630 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 71 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate economics of production, processing, and marketing of freshwater food animals. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Mechanically deboned flesh from various fishes will be evaluated with regard to yield, quality, and storage stability. Waste from fish processing will be evaluated chemically and biologically, and technology will be developed for economic waste utilization. Methods will be tested for control of geosmin related off-flavor in pond raised fish. Costs and returns associated with production of food fish in various culture systems will be assessed. Identify and evaluate alternative marketing and distribution systems for fish with respect to market expansion, consumer reactions, and optimizing income to producers and processors.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. 59 collections of catfish processing waste (head, skin, viscera) from the major processing plants and representing production ponds from Ala., Miss. and Ark. were analyzed for a-BHC, heptachlor, DDE, DDT, Dieldrin, endrin and toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene; the range was 0.06 to 3.6 mg/kg. DDE and DDT was found in most; the range of DDE was 0.01 to 0.56 mg/kg and the range of DDT was 0.01 to 0.58 mg/kg. None of the pesticide concentration in any sample exceeded the levels allowed in human foods, indicating the waste should be safe to use in commercial fish feeds. 35 off-flavored catfish collected from processing plants in Mississippi during April-June 1980 were evaluated by a trained sensory panel for quality and intensity of off-flavor. Only six of the samples had the distinct geosmin flavor which was formerly thought to be the major off-flavor in pond raised catfish. The most prominent flavor was "fecal" (sewage or manure); other were "rancid", "paint", "diesel", and "algae". Extracts from each fish were sent to the Southern Regional Research Center (USDA - ARS) for compound identification.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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008.002 CRIS0066589  
PIGMENTS OF MEAT AND FISH PRODUCTS (OFF-COLORS IN TUNA)

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-FST-3011-MH Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 30 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 78

OBJECTIVES: Determine factors involved in development of off-colors in tuna fish.

APPROACH: Determine the extent of influence of post-mortem levels of organic phosphate compounds on oxidation rate of myoglobin. Evaluate the extent of contribution of oxidation to the darker colors of some species of fish, especially when frozen. Determine if organic peroxides produced during storage of fish are involved in greenish reactions with myoglobins. Develop new color stabilizers for canned fish pet food products to replace nitrite in the event the use of nitrite should be banned. Develop new assay for free ribose inasmuch as the latter compound has been shown to be involved in an important deteriorative browning reaction in precooked skipjack tuna; evaluate means of inhibiting this browning reaction, e.g. by dipping fish prior to freezing in inhibitor solution.

PROGRESS: 74/09 TO 79/09. A method was developed for determining relative and absolute concentrations of myoglobin pigment derivatives in meats and fish, both untreated and treated with atmospheres containing carbon monoxide. A study was made to determine the fate of (14C) carbon monoxide in cooked or stored ground beef samples. Following exposure of meat samples to labeled CO, samples were either stored or cooked for varying periods of time. Aqueous and fat extracts were made and the amounts of radioactivity in these fractions and in the residues were determined. Activity in the aqueous fraction was due entirely to carboxymyoglobin; that in the lipid fraction was insignificant. During storage, CO was lost with a half-life of about 3 days. Maximum loss from cooked patties was about 85%. The use of low levels of CO may prevent the discoloration noted when red meats are stored in elevated levels of CO(2). Microbiological and color shelf lives of ground beef patties exposed to a 1% carbon monoxide, 50% carbon dioxide (balance air) atmosphere were significantly increased compared to controls held in air at 2 degrees C. Accompanying studies were made of the uptake of carbon monoxide by myoglobin in beef patties exposed to a 1% CO atmosphere, and the subsequent loss of carbon monoxide when samples are placed in an air atmosphere under fluorescent illumination. The half-life for the loss of carbon monoxide from such samples was found to be about 2 days.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/09 TO 79/09

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008.003  
MARINE FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

CRIS0080190

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-FST-3865-B Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Provide new or altered technology resulting in improved quality in seafood products, including the production of more appealing products for the consumer and those in which nutrient retention is maximized. Provide means of improved and extended distribution of fresh and frozen seafoods via new and alternate methods of handling and processing. Develop new marine food products. Collect basic biochemical data on protein, lipid and other constituents of aquatic animals.

APPROACH: Apply innovative technological procedures to a variety of seafood products and determine the resulting quality of such products by chemical, microbiological and sensory analyses. Pursue detailed studies of the effects of modified atmosphere storage on seafood products, including investigation of the effectiveness of high levels of carbon dioxide in such systems. Determine structure and properties of myoglobins and other pigments from a variety of aquatic animals; examine lipid composition and oxidation in seafoods; and investigate deleterious chemical and microbiological changes in fish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Rockfish fillets and salmon steaks were held in atmospheres containing 20% or 40% carbon dioxide. Controls were stored in air. At intervals of refrigerated storage up to 14 days, samples were removed for sensory, chemical, and microbiological analyses. Samples held in air were judged by panelists to have stronger aromas than others held under carbon dioxide at either level. The higher level of carbon dioxide was more effective. Storage under carbon dioxide was effective in reducing the formation of trimethylamine and ammonia, and markedly inhibited microbial growth. Bismine production by *Proteus morganii*, *Proteus vulgaris* and *Bacillus alvei* cultures isolated from spoiled skipjack tuna was measured under twelve environmental conditions. The highest histamine concentrations were found at 19 degrees C. and 30 degrees C; no histamine was formed at 1 degree C. *Proteus* organisms at first formed high levels of histamine, much of which was subsequently destroyed. The concentration of histamine in tuna products may depend on an equilibrium between histamine production and destruction. Amino acid sequences of the soluble tryptic peptides of yellowfin tuna myoglobin, comprising 60% of the total residues, were determined; the amino terminus is acetylated.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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008.004  
BIOCONVERSION OF CHITIN WASTES

CRIS0072763

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-FST-3523-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 23 MAY 77 To 30 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Design and economically analyze a process for the bioconversion of shell fish chitin wastes to single-cell protein. The specific goals are: Select a microorganism which secretes an active extracellular



chitinase system and characterize the kinetics of chitin hydrolysis. Optimize chitinase production with selected microorganisms; determine conversion rate of chitin degradation products into yeast single-cell protein; design a process for enzymatic chitin hydrolysis and bioconversion to protein and economically analyze the process with respect to application to the California seafood industry.

APPROACH: Fermentations will be conducted in a well-stirred instrumented fermentor. Organisms will be compared for extracellular chitinolytic activity on shrimp shell and colloidal chitin. Yeasts will be selected on the basis of growth rate and acceptable amino acid distribution for a feed supplement. Conventional engineering and economic principles will be used for the design and feasibility study.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A process for bioconversion of shellfish processing chitin waste is being designed. Experimental aspects just completed are determination of optimum conditions for microbial chitinase production and for pretreatment of waste to render the chitin accessible to enzymatic hydrolysis. Enzyme production was studied in shaken flasks and fermentors using response surface methodology to define the temperature and pH which yield highest enzyme activity in solution and the associated enzyme and cell mass yield factors. Waste pretreatment includes grinding for increase of surface area, alkaline wash to remove protein, and mild acid treatment to remove carbonate. A computer program for design of the fermentation equipment has been modified for use in this project. With experimental results now available, the complete process of enzyme production, chitin pretreatment and hydrolysis, and hydrolysate conversion to single-cell protein will be designed and analyzed economically.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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008.005\* CRIS0066814  
THE USE OF SELECTED AQUATIC ORGANISMS FOR PURPOSES OF  
AQUACULTURE (FOOD PRODUCTION)

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-LAW-3350-B Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 05 NOV 74 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the tolerance, growth dynamics, food preference, egg hatchability of selected pest organisms. Utilize existing pest organisms such as tadpole shrimp and cladophora algae for beneficial purposes such as low cost protein source.

APPROACH: Initially information will be obtained relating to the environmental needs of the organisms under consideration. Later we will manage environmental factors in order to maximize the production of the potential protein material for purposes of either a domestic animal food (i.e., chicken or catfish food) or a protein supplement for humans.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Preparation of manuscript resulting from our work with the Malaysian prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*) continues. These manuscripts focus on physiological aspects of our research and will be submitted to scientific journals in the near future. Research to better understand the laboratory culture of the grass shrimp (*Ceriodaphnia dubia*) is progressing well. This shrimp is a key food item for striped bass and sturgeon. Those culturing the sturgeon in the laboratory have indicated a need for food that is also under culture and therefore readily available to feed fish. Our research to determine the environmental needs of the shrimp has increased our capabilities to successfully culture this shrimp in the laboratory. Recently we have included the Aelatic clam (*Corbicula*) in our culture operations. This clam exhibits potential as a filter feeder to remove undesirable particulate matter from aquaculture systems. In addition, the clam has demonstrated an

ability to accumulate toxic materials such as heavy metals and organic materials. Clams, it is felt, will serve as excellent monitoring organisms in aquaculture systems. We are experimenting with methods of placing the clams in aquatic systems and their retrieval for tissue burden determination.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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DEYING SEAFOOD PRODUCTS WITH SOLAR ENERGY

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Proj. No.: 7092-20530-002A(2) Project Type:  
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 09 NOV 77 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop and study low cost solar dryers for drying seafood and mullet roe. Develop optimum conditions and study effects of collector material and configuration, radiation rate, air flow, on quality of products. Determine need for heat storage and potential energy savings.

APPROACH: Develop dryers designed of simple, inexpensive materials to use direct solar radiation and solar heated air (indirect). Compare natural convection with forced air. Prepare dried mullet roe, minced fish cake and fish fillets (white and dark flesh). Compare drying of fresh fish and roe, with products previously cured with salt. Compare temperatures and air velocities vs. quality of products. Develop optimum conditions for retention of quality and basic information for developing design and drying system for commercialization.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 81/06. Temperatures to dry mullet roe were developed for a direct insolation greenhouse type drier with inside temperatures of 100 to 110°F during winter. During summer, excessive temperatures were reached. An acceptable product was obtained at 88, 98 and 113°F with dewpoints of 43, 53 and 68°F, but the higher the temperature the more rapid the rate of product browning. From these results one can determine how long and at what moisture content to dry mullet roe before it becomes unacceptable. Feasibility was determined for modifying a flat plate solar collector to reach sufficient temperatures to make an acceptable smoked product without use of supplementary heat. A sufficient temperature (160°F) could be obtained during peak insolation, but an excessively large collector would be required for a commercially useable amount of smoked mullet.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 81/06  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FOOD PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT FROM FLORIDA UNDERUTILIZED  
FISH SPECIES

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Proj. No.: FLA-FS-01789 Project Type: BATCB  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 AUG 76 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop new products, minced fish products, intermediate moisture mullet roe, and canned fish; evaluate quality and investigate storage stability of the new products.

APPROACH: Several Florida underutilized fish species, either alone or mixed, will be investigated to determine the quality and subsequent storage stability of minced fish products. The improved

method for processing mullet roe and the salt content, water activity and darkening problem related to the intermediate moisture mullet roe will be studied. The processing of various canned fish products, the quality and subsequent storage stability of the products will be studied.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Fish patties were prepared from mixing minced light color fish (sheephead) flesh with various concentrations of sodium alginate (NaAlg), tripolyphosphate (TPP), and salt (NaCl). The overall trend indicated that as the NaAlg. level was increased, the breaking force (firmness) decreased. At 0.10% NaAlg. as the NaCl level was increased, it was necessary to decrease the TPP concentration in order to attain the same breaking force. As the NaAlg. level was increased at a constant TPP level, the breaking force increased. At NaAlg. levels 0.10% the trend begins to change so that in some instances it was necessary to increase the TPP to a maximum point and then decrease it in order to maintain the same breaking force. Consequently at a fixed NaAlg. and a constant TPP level, two levels of NaCl would produce the same breaking force. Also, if the NaAlg. and TPP levels remained constant, then an increase in NaCl would first cause a decrease in breaking force and then a slight increase. The trend toward an increase in breaking force became less apparent at the higher NaAlg. levels. Effect of washing temperature on fish muscle proteins in the washing treatment of minced fish mullet was studied.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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 DENG, J.C. 1981. Effect of Temperatures on Fish Muscle Alkaline, Protease Interaction and Texture Quality. *J. Food Sci.* 46:62.  
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#### SMOKING OF SEAFOOD AND POULTRY

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 Proj. No.: FLA-FS-01763 Project Type: BATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Investigate the effects of brining, smoking and storage on the chemical, microbial and sensory attributes of selected seafood and poultry products.

APPROACH: The effects of brine concentration, brining time, smoking times and temperature will be studied as to their effects on quality attributes of selected seafood and poultry products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Effects of brine concentration (0-6%), intensity of smoking (1.5 or 3.0 hr), method of cooking (baked, broiled or fried) and frozen storage on the acceptance of cold smoked mullet fillets were determined. A twenty member sensory panel indicated that fillets soaked in 4% brine for 30 min, smoked for 1.5 hr at 48C and deep fat fried were an acceptable product. Frozen storage of the smoked fillets for two weeks or of the whole fish for six weeks prior to smoking had no significant effect on acceptance of the product. Panel members gave the product a "very good" rating and indicated they would purchase it if available.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE AMINES IN FOOD

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 Proj. No.: GEO00514-HW Project Type: BATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine phenylethylamine concentrations in fermented foods and quantitate other biologically active amines in foods which have not previously been studied. Study more fully tyramine formation in fermented sausage products and determine factors influencing the formation of tyrosine decarboxylase during sausage production. Study factors leading to histamine formation in fish muscle and identify histidine decarboxylating microorganisms in the muscle microflora.

APPROACH: Identification and quantitation of amines will be done with ion-exchange techniques, gas chromatography, and TLC. Assay of amino acid decarboxylase activity will be carried out using radioisotopic techniques. Factors affecting production of amino acid decarboxylases in food products will be studied.

PROGRESS: 75/07 TO 80/06. An assay method based upon high pressure liquid chromatography and paired in chromatography was developed for assay of tryptamine, and phenethyl amine in food products. The procedure is more sensitive and faster than most quantitative procedures for biologically active amine analysis. Factors influencing tyramine formation and the presence of tyrosine decarboxylase activity in natural microflora and starter (*Pediococcus cerevisiae*) fermented sausages were determined. The study indicated that the natural meat microflora developed during the aging of salted meat can develop tyrosine decarboxylase activity necessary for rapid conversion of tyrosine to tyramine. The use of a started culture such as *P. cerevisiae* appears to decrease the possibility of development of a microflora during fermentation that would possess both tyrosine decarboxylase activity and proteolytic activity necessary to produce fermented sausages with potentially hazardous tyramine concentration. Histamine formation by *Proteus morganii* in tuna muscle was studied to determine factors influencing histamine formation in tuna. Inoculated tuna muscle supported high histamine development when stored at ambient temperature (24 degrees) or at 30 degrees C. At these temperatures, histamine development was greater than 500 mg/100 g muscle after 24 hr of storage. A corresponding decrease occurred in free histidine in the muscle. Little histamine occurred in tuna fish inoculated with *P. morganii* and stored at 15 degrees C.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 75/07 TO 80/06

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#### LOW-TEMPERATURE STORAGE OF FRESHWATER PRAWN, MACROBRACHIUM ROSENBERGII

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 Proj. No.: HAW00577-H Project Type: BATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop appropriate techniques to preserve the quality of ice-chilled *M. rosenbergii*. The freshwater prawn, *M. rosenbergii* becomes mush after three days of ice-chilled storage. The cause(s) of this mushiness are not known.

APPROACH: Preserve the quality of freshwater prawn includes: Measuring the post-harvest quality changes in *M. rosenbergii* under ice-chilled condition; characterizing the collagenolytic activity of prawn hepatopancreas and its enzymes; characterizing the



proteolytic and collagenolytic microorganisms associated with *M. rosenbergii* and measuring the effects of food additives on the shelf-life of ice-chilled *M. rosenbergii*.

PROGRESS: 80/10 TO 80/12. This is a new project concerning the investigation of the causes of mushiness in the freshwater prawn and the effects of food additives on the quality factors of prawn during ice-chilled storage. Data collected to date showed that prawn muscle's of pH, ammonia, soluble protein and indole increased significantly during ice-chilled storage of the whole and deheaded prawns.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/10 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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HISTAMINE/HONEYCOMBING IN SKIPJACK TUNA

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Proj. No.: HAW00573 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop methodology for measuring decomposition in skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*). Learn the conditions of handling causing high histamine and/or honeycombing.

APPROACH: Suitable analytical methods for histamine, histidine and honeycomb in skipjack will be selected and developed. These are fluorescence, thinlayer and high pressure liquid chromatography. Appropriate samples indicative of methods of handling will be analyzed. These will include times and temperatures.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A study was completed on the effect of low-temperature (30 to 50 degrees F) incubation on histamine formation, honeycombing and quality deterioration in skipjack tuna. A study was completed on the effect of low-temperature (30 to 50 degrees F) incubation on microbial growth and histidine decarboxylation in skipjack tuna. A study was completed on the quantitative relationship between collagen breakdown and honeycombing in skipjack tuna. A nomograph was prepared to show the relationship of time-temperature-histamine in skipjack tuna under controlled conditions in the 70-100 degrees F range. A paper, "Bacterial histamine formation in skipjack tuna," was presented at the annual meeting of the Pacific Fisheries Technologists, March 16-19, 1980, in Astoria, Oregon. Tuna Research Workshop V was sponsored on December 11-12, 1980, in Honolulu to present a final report on the progress made on this project. A paper "Histamine formation and honeycombing during decomposition of skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*) at elevated temperatures," has been submitted for publication in Marine Fisheries Review. Additional manuscripts are being prepared for publication.

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POST-HARVEST HANDLING AND PROCESSING OF MACROBRACHIUM  
PRAWNS

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Proj. No.: HAW00576-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Define the quality of fresh and cooked prawns in terms of physical, chemical, bacteriological and organoleptic attributes. Assess the effect of various processing techniques (freezing, holding, packaging, storage and thawing) on the quality of the frozen prawns. Determine and recommend a set of handling, holding and processing conditions in terms of acceptable quality of frozen prawns for long term storage.

APPROACH: Zero-time control samples will be analyzed in terms of texture, pH, trimethylamine, collagen, and salt content, bacterial count and taste score. Prawns will be processed, stored and analyzed for the various quality attributes. Optimum conditions for processing, packaging and storing of frozen prawns will be determined based on the above results.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 80/12. Various postharvest handling and freezing procedures for the freshwater prawn, *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* were tested. Results of the frozen storage stability studies (6 mos) suggested that prawns may be chilled up to 48 hrs, then frozen and still maintain acceptable quality; the quality of prawns held under chilled conditions 48 hrs after thawing was still acceptable; post-blanching chilled storage may not be a practical prefreezing technique for commercial preservation and marketing of frozen prawns; and prawns can be frozen either in air or in brine at -18 degrees C, packaged in polymeric bags with or without vacuum, or frozen in ice-blocks, and still maintain acceptable quality. Effect of purging on quality factors and cost-effectiveness were also tested. No significant difference (p less than or equal to 0.05) was found between the purged prawns and the control in their muscle's pH, ammonia content, soluble/insoluble collagen ratio, and peak height/plateau height ratio. However, the decrease in pH and peak height/plateau height ratio, and the increase in ammonia content and soluble/insoluble collagen with ice-chilled time were highly significant (p less than or equal to 0.01), indicating a gradual quality degradation when stored on ice. Postharvest purging helped to improve the appearance of the prawn but its cost-effectiveness based on economic feasibility analysis was doubtful.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 80/12  
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PREFLAVORED CHANNEL CATFISH

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Proj. No.: KAN00919 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 JUN 78

OBJECTIVES: Explore the effects of conventional home cookery on the flavor of whole channel catfish preflavored with three commercial flavorants (e.g., onion, liquid smoke, garlic) when the treated fish are fresh; have been held in a household refrigerator 2-3 days; have been frozen in a household freezer, stored 1-2 months, then thawed before cooking.

APPROACH: Farm-raised channel catfish, 1/2-1 pound, will be preflavored by adding known quantities of flavorant(s) to their aquarium water. After being dressed and cooked, preflavored catfish and controls will be examined by flavor profile panel. Preflavoring treatments, cookery and examinations will be repeated at least once; at least two concentrations or two exposure times of each flavorant will be used. Research will be reported as a master's thesis.

PROGRESS: 74/06 TO 78/07. Prior work having shown the feasibility of preflavoring channel catfish in laboratory aquariums, experiments were conducted to explore the effects of conventional home cookery on the flavor of whole channel catfish preflavored with a commercially available liquid smoke flavorant. An experienced taste panel found that the flavor was retained in fish stored in home-type refrigerator for 1-3 days or in a commercial freezer up to 10 weeks; the dressed fish, 167-349 grams, were cooked plain by microwave or breaded, by frying. Details are given in Master's Thesis of Jo Karen Clithero, "Preflavoring Channel Catfish," 1975.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/06 TO 78/07

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OPERATING PARAMETERS OF LAGOONS FOR DISPOSAL OF  
UTILIZATION OF DAIRY FARM AND PROCESSING PLANT WASTE

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Proj. No.: LAB01955 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Improve scientific guidelines for management of oxidation lagoons through evaluation of the operational characteristics as measured by chemical and bacteriological qualities of the effluents. Determine effect, if any, of including aquatic plants in dairy cattle rations on the properties of milk produced. Evaluate lagooning as a means of whey disposal.

APPROACH: Plans are to use the existing LSU dairy farm lagoons together with new lagoons to be built to measure effects of operational procedures on quality of effluents. Duckweed grown on these ponds will be included in dairy cattle rations and the milk produced will be analyzed to determine effects on composition. The work with whey will be accomplished by use of 2 existing used 200 gal. capacity milk vats for lagoon simulation. Reduced lactose whey will be used for these oxidation studies.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Objectives: To study the operating parameters of a mechanically aerated lagoon for disposal of dairy plant wastes. Accomplishments: A mechanically aerated lagoon (182.9 m x 60.9 m x 2.4 m) which was used for disposal of dairy plant wastes was utilized in this study. Lagoon aeration was by the use of four surface aerators. Lagoon samples were taken at depths of .15 m and 1.52 m in five lagoon locations at monthly intervals for fifteen sampling periods. The samples taken at each depth were composited for analyses. Additional samples were taken at a .15 depth at the entrance to a lagoon settling area and from the lagoon effluent. Lagoon sample analyses included BOD, COD, total suspended solids (TSS), and dissolved oxygen (DO). The average values (mg/L) for BOD, COD, TSS and DO for the .15 m composite sample were 111, 520, 260, and 2.5, respectively and for the 1.52 m composite sample the average values (mg/L) were 119, 589, 328, and 2.3, respectively. The average BOD value (mg/L) for the lagoon effluent was 99. Significance and/or Application: The effluent from the aerated lagoon in this investigation exceeded the permitted BOD daily average (234 lbs.) 9 times in the 15 month period. During one three month period, the daily maximum BOD values were exceeded 7 times. A secondary treatment for the lagoon effluent is needed in order to meet state and federal regulations.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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FLAVOR DIFFERENCES OF MECHANICALLY- AND  
HAND-PROCESSED CRAB MEATS

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Proj. No.: LAB01981 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 78 To 30 APR 82

OBJECTIVES: Study the influence of handling procedure of flavor retention in mechanically-processed crab meat. Assess organoleptic and gross compositional differences between hand- and mechanically-processed crab meats. Relate gas chromatographic patterns to flavor scores of crab meats. Assess the composition and importance of the volatile flavors in crab meats. Develop a method or methods for the flavor enhancement of mechanically-processed crab meat.

APPROACH: Hand- and mechanically-picked Blue crab meat will be assessed for organoleptic and chemical differences. Flavor components lost will be characterized using combined gas chromatography and mass spectrometry, amino acid analysis and electrophoresis. Mechanically-picked meats will be treated with flavor enhancers to improve the flavor.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Isolation and characterization of protein losses resulting from the mechanical processing of Blue crab meat utilizing electrophoresis revealed significant differences in quantity and make-up of the protein fractions. Preliminary data have revealed the loss of the hemolymph with mechanical processing. This appears to be a significant portion of the protein losses. Further work is being undertaken to determine the feasibility of using cooler stressed Blue crabs for mechanical processing. Comparisons are being made between the processing of fresh, brine frozen and stressed blue crabs, as well as the electrophoretic patterns of the salt and water extractable proteins, to determine the effects of cooler stress.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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008.016\* CRIS0072940  
FORMULATION OF FOODS FOR AQUATIC ANIMALS OF ECONOMIC  
IMPORTANCE

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Proj. No.: LAB01918 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 77 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Formulation of nutritionally-balanced diets for various stages of shrimp and prawn growth, especially for larval and juvenile development. Included will be species of marine shrimp (*Penaeus*), freshwater prawn (*Macrobrachium*) and crawfish (*Procambarus*). Use of agricultural and fisheries wastes or byproducts in least-cost grow-out rations for crustacean aquaculture.

APPROACH: Diets and formulations developed and prepared in the Department of Food Science will be tested in cooperative on-going programs with aquaculturists at various sites in this country. Projected areas of continued investigation will include analyses of attractants in diets to enhance chemoreceptor response, studies of modified starches and water stability of flake/extruded diets, microbial degradation of cellulosic-fiber substrates and diet development for protein-deficient areas, effect of diet on organoleptic qualities of the cultivated animal crop, and transfer of dietary carotenoid pigment to internal/external parts of the fish or crustacea.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Application of the tropical fish *Trichogaster leeri* as an assay animal for evaluation of carotenoids and carotenoid-containing dietary ingredients has been demonstrated. Methods of analyses for measurement of fin and integument sites of accumulation of the main repository pigment have been developed and are being used to assay astaxanthin-rich substrates, such as crawfish wastes, and isolated pigments in flake and extruded formulations for aquatic animals. Oregon Moist Pellet (OMP) diets, fortified with 20% crawfish waste puree, have yielded significant flesh coloration of rainbow trout as well as coho salmon. Binders used as water stability agents in larval bullfrog (*Rana catesbeiana*) diets have been evaluated in terms of growth and food conversion as well as features of the hydrocolloids themselves. Levels of solids present and features of the dietary ingredients are related to binder performance. The wide application of alginate products is noted in flake and extruded dietary preparations where loss of water-soluble components is critical. A variety of gums have been



tested as binding-matrix agents for adult bullfrogs. Moist and semi-moist dietary preparations have been shown to possess desirable binding characteristics and water stabilities for as long as 24 hours. Feeding tests have produced useful information on the feeding response and behavior of bullfrogs.

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#### 008.017 CRIS0072943 RECOVERY AND UTILIZATION OF SHRIMP AND CRAWFISH PROCESSING BYPRODUCTS

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Proj. No.: LAB01817 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUN 77 To 01 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop cooperative studies with the Louisiana shrimp canning industry in waste stream abatement, material recovery and ultimate utilization of proteinaceous "waste" materials in food products. Correlated investigations will include analyses of crawfish processing wastes, especially recovery of food-grade meat for product development.

APPROACH: Initial investigations of shrimp processing operations in the New Orleans area will focus on waste stream abatement and recovery and use of nutritionally-valuable materials present in discharges and as processed meals. Area of proposed investigation include such aspects as effluent stream flow rates, amounts of dissolved proteins and suspended meat particles in these streams, and composition of the extracted materials. Attention must be given to utilization of extracted materials for feed and food purposes, evaluation of the effectiveness of these preparations compared with comparable commercially available preparations, and measurement of the effectiveness of particle removal from the effluent streams expressed as BOD reduction. Projected studies also involve investigation of the biochemical composition of the blanch stream, including protein levels, specific amino acids, amino sugars, and other potentially nutritionally-valuable components.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research efforts were directed toward recovery and concentration of astaxanthin pigments from heat-processed body fragments remaining after removal of the tail muscle from Louisiana crawfish. Millions of pounds of this byproduct, comprising over 75% of the crustacean, have been heretofore discarded annually as wastes. Use of the unextracted fresh frozen crawfish meal at a 20% level in the Oregon Moist Pellet (CMP) diet, has elicited desirable pink flesh coloration in rainbow trout. More than a six-fold increase in pigment concentration i.e., from 0.72 to 4.2 mg/g wet weight was recorded for test fish after a 60-day growth period. Large scale tests with pen-reared coho salmon in the Pacific Northwest have shown comparable results. Pigment concentrations as high as 153 mg/g substrate, using solvent extraction techniques are noted. An astaxanthin/oil concentrate (151 mg/100 g oil) has been developed by a batch-type system of extraction of crawfish waste with heated soybean oil. Characteristics of this oil recovery procedure, in terms of extraction stages and pigment concentration, suggest a wide application for the material in aquacultural diets in which astaxanthin fortification or supplementation is desirable. Storage studies have demonstrated the beneficial use of antioxidants in maintaining pigment quality.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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#### 008.018 CRIS0008816 HANDLING AND PROCESSING OF FISH AND SHELLFISH

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Proj. No.: LAB00849 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 DEC 58 To 01 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Perform research on the best methods of harvesting, collecting, processing, packing, preserving, labeling, and distributing fish and shellfish. Work in packing plants to institute good manufacturing practices, quality assurance laboratories, and investigate the critical control points during the manufacture of fishery products. Monitor the microbiological, physical, chemical and organoleptic safety status of Gulf fish and shellfish on a routine basis to protect the consumer and industry.

APPROACH: Study the physical and biochemical mechanisms involved in deterioration of these products so that procedures may be developed to reduce the rate of decomposition and the formation of undesirable compounds in the foods. Rapid methods of testing will be developed to enable the producers and packers to evaluate the products prior to packing, and before the onset of initial spoilage. Tests will include the qualitative and quantitative measurement of pathogenic microorganisms, those that are an index of pollution, ammonia, trimethylamine, lactic acid, volatile acids, sulfhydryl groups, indols, amino N, etc., for the purpose of augmenting existing objective measurements. The reliability and predictability of the abbreviated tests will be compared to AOAC methods, and the data will be subjected to statistical analyses for sources of sample and technique, and products variation.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Crawfish: The effect of cooking, vacuum packaging and the presence or absence of hepatopancreatic tissue on the development of oxidative rancidity in frozen crawfish were studied. Two-thiobarbituric acid (TBA) values were determined every two months during the course of the study. There was a steady increase in TBA values in all cases with the progress of storage time. Both cooking and the presence of fat (hepatopancreatic tissue) on the tailmeat accelerated the production of malonaldehydes as indicated by the TBA test. Vacuum packaging significantly (p less than 0.01) lowered the TBA values as did the absence of fat. Crabs: The effect of various cooking temperatures and time periods were evaluated in relation to color changes in blue crabs. These changes were also compared to the internal body temperatures in the crabs during cooking. The rate of color development was found to be dependent on time and temperature of exposure. Crabs placed in water at 100 degrees C had a mean "a" value of 15.27 on the Hunter scale after only 30 seconds of exposure. Values on the "a" scale 15 and above were considered typical of the red-orange color of cooked crabs. However, at this time and temperature exposures the crabs had an internal body temperature on only 16 degrees C thus, still showing effects of refrigerated storage. Longer exposures did not greatly enhance the color. Hence, crabs cooked in boiling water for thirty second appear generally the same as one cooked for sixteen minutes.

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EVALUATION OF THE STABILITY AND EDIBLE QUALITY OF  
FRESH WATER SHRIMP

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Proj. No.: LAB02131 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: In order to evaluate edible quality and stability of fresh water shrimp as compared to marine shrimp, following items will be studied:  
Compositional data of the fresh water shrimp. How compositional changes are related to the edible quality of the shrimp. How deterioration of the edible quality can be controlled.

APPROACH: Total lipid, to total free fatty acids and fatty acid composition will be determined for both fresh water and marine shrimp. The following parameters will be evaluated as a function of type of storage time: The extent of oxidation of polyunsaturated fatty acids as estimated by TBA value and conjugated diene, acceptability as determined by sensory evaluation.

PROGRESS: 80/10 TO 80/12. Approximately 13.6 kg. of sample (fresh water shrimp) were obtained from the LSU aquaculture farm. A portion of sample was immediately extracted by Folch method in order to determine lipid composition of fresh tissues. The rest of sample was vacuum packed and stored at -15C in the Food Science Department for subsequent analysis.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/10 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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RECOVERY AND CONVERSION OF CATFISH PROCESSING WASTE  
INTO VALUABLE FEED SUPPLEMENTS

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Proj. No.: 7102-20532-001 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 29 AUG 79 To 28 AUG 82

OBJECTIVES: Assess, modify and/or develop methods to recover processing waste from catfish farmers/processors and upgrade into valuable and nutritious feed supplements, both moist and dried; characterize and evaluate feed supplements for optimum end uses and assess energy and equipment requirements for the processes.

APPROACH: Evaluate catfish waste (heads, viscera and skin) in laboratory tests, using a sequence of process steps appropriate for commercially feasible rendering or food processing to convert each type of waste to valuable oil and feed supplements. Characterize chemical composition and properties of each supplement to help determine whether separate processing of each type waste would be beneficial. Apply appropriate processing steps in pilot-scale tests to prepare several alternate by-products from catfish waste in sufficient quantities for evaluation in animal and fish feeds and/or pet foods. Estimate equipment and energy requirements and value-in-use for the various potential feed supplements.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Catfish processing waste dehydration techniques were investigated on a pilot-plant scale. Proximate analyses and material balances were established for traditional dry rendering and formic acid-activated silage. In pilot-plant tests, chopped or ground waste (100-lb) was dry rendered (atmospheric) and pressed to yield 26 lb meal (55% protein) and 10 lb oil. Silage samples were successfully concentrated to 52% solids in a jacketed Green kettle operated under vacuum. Efforts to further dry the concentrate to less than 10% moisture in a vacuum tray dryer were disappointing. Efforts were made to find a substitute enzyme activator. A mixture of phosphoric and acetic acids (1:1) was found best; however, no substitute has proven as effective as 0.5% formic acid for the fastest rate of autolysis. Samples of concentrated silage were sent to several pet food manufacturers

for informal palatability testing.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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PRELIMINARY COSTS OF CATFISH PROCESSING WASTE  
UTILIZATION

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Proj. No.: 7102-20530-002 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARS Period: 06 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine rates of waste production and compare the costs of disposal with alternate means of waste utilization for several large catfish processing plants. (TO-1).

APPROACH: Establish field contacts and visit several large processing plants in Arkansas, Mississippi, and Alabama to confirm how these processors dispose of their wastes. Obtain or estimate the costs of such disposal and obtain or estimate the rates of waste production. Prepare preliminary capital investment and processing costs for alternate methods of converting these wastes into usable products.

PROGRESS: 78/10 TO 79/09. Visits were made to three catfish processing plants in the Mississippi Delta and methods of waste disposal were evaluated in two of them. Cifal collection, essentially the same in both plants, consists of automatically conveying the heads, viscera, and skin from the eviscerating table, skinner, and washer to a common discharge, where the mixture is screened from the wastewater and collected in a holding bin. The offal from one plant, 6 million lbs annually, is discharged in bulk into trucks that haul it in 20,000-lb. loadsto a poultry rendering plant where it is blended in limited amounts with chicken waste to produce chicken feed. The renderer pay 1-2 cents/lb for the offal, which is about the cost to the processor for transporting it. The offal from the second plant, 4.5 million lbs. annually, is discharged into reusable 1500-2000-lb. capacity plastic containers, iced, and shipped, 20 containers per refrigerated trailer truck, to a cat food processor. The cat food processor pays 4 1/2 cents/lb. for the offal at destination, which covers all expenses to the catfish processor (labor, ice, stationary refrigeration of trailer track during 2-day loading period, and transport costs) and 1/2 cent/lb. profit. A rendering plant of the poultry type is under construction at the third catfish processing plant visited, to which admission was not gained.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/10 TO 79/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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## HUMAN NUTRITION IMPROVEMENT

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Proj. No.: ME08025 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Improve the nutritional status of people by appropriate dietary modification. Department of Food Science will process seafoods, i.e., squid, quahog, periwinkle, sardines, clams, oysters, shrimp, lobster. Processing will include canning, freezing, frying and pickling and appropriate samples will be taken to reveal nutritional changes due to processing and storage. Analyses will include proximate composition, mineral content and processing and storage. Aliquot samples will be provided to the



Department of Biochemistry.

**APPROACH:** The Department of Biochemistry will study the effect of processing on the nutritional value of the proteins by determination of the PER (AOAC) and chemical score at several steps in the processing. Diet composition will conform to NE-73 (Revised) protocol. Cooperation with MD (amino acid analyses), NJ (tryptophan) and RI (mineral and cholesterol analysis) and VT (lysine availability) is planned.

**PROGRESS:** 79/10 TO 80/09. The FE and PER of squid mantle protein were determined on raw, blanched, canned in brine, canned in oil, and on the two canned products after 6 months and after 12 months of storage at room temperature. The FE of raw squid was lower than any of the processed forms and was significantly lower than all of the processed forms ( $p$  less than 0.05) except the 0 time canned in oil treatment. The PER of the canned in oil product stored for 6 months and the canned in brine product stored for 12 months were significantly lower than the PER of blanched squid ( $p$  less than 0.05) and the PER of canned in oil product at 0 storage time ( $p$  less than 0.05). Although there was a decline in the PER of the squid canned in oil it was not significant. The lowered PER of the squid canned in oil for 6 months ( $p$  less than 0.01) appears to be an anomaly as the PER after 12 months storage is nearly that of the freshly canned product. Storage of canned squid at room temperature for up to 12 months does not seriously decrease the protein value of the product. No major changes in proximate composition due to storage were noticed in either canned product, although lipid content of the brine packed mantles appeared to decrease and that of the oil pack appeared to increase. Evidence from the analysis of fatty acid composition of the lipids indicated that soy bean oil permeated the squid mantle in the oil pack. Mineral composition during storage changed only slightly.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/10 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**THE EFFECT OF FROZEN STORAGE ON TEXTURAL QUALITY OF LOBSTER MEAT**

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Proj. No.: ME08594 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 79 TO 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine shelf life of blanched lobster meat sealed under vacuum and stored at -18 and -29°C; determine relationship between texture, extractable protein and structural changes (Scanning EM) that are taking place in stored frozen lobster muscle.

**APPROACH:** Lobsters will be blanched 70 seconds in 3% brine at 90.5°C. Picked meat as well as entire claw and tail sections will be sealed in cans under vacuum, frozen at -37°C and stored at -18 and -25°C for up to 15 months. At 3 months. At 3 months intervals sample will be removed, examined for extractable protein, and texture of raw and cooked (15 min in 2% brine) muscle using Warner-Bratzler shear\*. Duplicate samples will be prepared by critical point drying or freeze drying for examination with scanning EM. In addition, thin sections will be extracted with chloroform:methanol (2:1) prior to preparation for EM examination. Lipids will be extracted and separated into phospholipids and neutral lipids and their fatty acids determined. Electrophoresis of myofibrillar proteins, treated with SDS\*\*, on polyacrylamide gel will be performed. Formaldehyde and dimethylamine content will be determined. Sensory evaluation will be restricted to critical experiments. \*Shear force measurement, \*\*Sodium-dodecylsulfate-polyacrylamide gel.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Lobster tails sealed with and without vacuum, and held in frozen storage are now being removed for analyses.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

008.024 CRIS0069547  
**SHEAR PROPERTIES OF FROZEN FISH FILLET BLOCKS**

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Proj. No.: MD-E-053 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 MAR 76 TO 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the shear properties of frozen fish fillet pieces. Determine effect of shearing on conformation of the resulting cut surface.

**APPROACH:** Frozen fish blocks will be sawed to sample size with band saws. By use of an Instron machine and/or a guillotine cutter the fish sample pieces will be sheared and the force necessary to cut the samples recorded. Sample thickness, cutting speed, sample temperature when cut, knife geometry, fish muscle fibre direction and possibly fish species will be variables investigated and related to peak force necessary to cut the sample. The conformation of the sheared sample will be investigated to determine the effect shearing action has on squareness of corners and other critical parameters.

**PROGRESS:** 76/01 TO 80/09. Samples of frozen cod fillet blocks having different thicknesses and fillet orientations were sheared using a guillotine shearing device at -12.2 degrees, -17.8 degrees and -23 degrees C. knife bevel angles of 10 degrees, 20 degrees, and 30 degrees and cutting speeds of 2.5, 7.5 and 12.5 cm/sec were used. Peak shearing force, shearing energy and surface damage of front and rear slices were measured. Regression equations were developed to relate individually peak shearing force, shearing energy, and surface damage for front and rear surfaces with the variables of temperature, block thickness, knife bevel angle and knife velocity. One set of equations was developed for shearing perpendicular to the muscle fiber and one set for shearing parallel to the muscle fiber. Blocks can be sheared but damage to the sheared piece is unacceptable except for 1.27 cm thick block sheared at -12.2 degrees C using a 10 degrees knife bevel angle. Thus, shearing does not appear to be a feasible method for cutting frozen fish blocks into fish portions, and fish sticks. An alternative approach should be tried for reducing the fish "sawdust" loss. Product development research could produce a salable product from the "sawdust".

**PUBLICATIONS:** 76/01 TO 80/09  
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**WATER QUALITY CHANGES IN OYSTER PROCESSING**

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Proj. No.: MD-ED-052 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 76 TO 30 AUG 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Compare cleaning efficiency as a function of operating parameters for a spray washing system, a brush washing system and a tumble washing system for oyster shellstock. Determine water requirements for washing oyster shellstock in a spray washer, a brush washer and a tumble washer. Determine quality of water discharged from a spray washer, a brush washer and a tumble washer when washing oyster shellstock, and the extent of treatment required for the effluent to meet discharge guidelines or regulations.

**APPROACH:** A high pressure spray washer, a rotary brush washer, and a tumble washer will be used to wash oyster shellstock. Each will be tested to determine optimum operating conditions and cleaning efficiency. Water use rate and the quality of effluent will be determined for each washer. Effluent quality parameters will be compared with discharge

PROGRESS: 76/01 TO 80/08. Three oyster shellstock washers have been designed, constructed and tested. Testing was done to determine each washer's cleaning efficiency and to determine the quantity and quality of water discharged during washing. The following results have been determined: The spray and brush washer do an acceptable job of washing oyster shellstock. The tumbler severely damages the oyster meats and is unacceptable for commercial operations. The brush washer removes more fouling organisms than does the spray washer. If shellstock must be washed prior to stucking, water requirements and effluent volumes for oyster processing plants will increase. Washer effluent will require only disinfection and, in some cases a reduction in pH, before discharge to meet all EPA and Maryland discharge limitations. Regression equations were developed to relate brush and spray washer cleaning efficiency to water pressure, water flow rate, oyster feed rate and, for the brush washer, brush speed.

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HULTIN B O; COLLEGE OF FCCE & NATURAL RES.;  
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, AMBERST, MASSACHUSETTS.  
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Proj. No.: MAS00493 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 80 To 30 SEP 85

APFEOACB: Plan to examine in detail some of the enzyme systems in fish which adversely affect the flavor and textural properties of the material. The major perturbation to be studied is the effect of temperature.

OBJECTIVES: Develop the process necessary to produce a hot-dog like product which is acceptable to consumers using washed, minced and red hake. Determine the feasibility of recovering and re-using protein from fish flesh wash water. Measure the effect of sabaerizing versus regular skinning on quality of finished product. Develop processes for the manufacture of other products, especially seafood (crab, etc.) type products. Develop the process of blending surimi with other underutilized species such as squid, or other meats such as chicken, beef or pork.

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Proj. No.: M1CL0103S Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 21 AUG 69 To 30 SEP 83

APPROACH: The performance of mink fed Great Lakes fish and fish products will be evaluated and mink tissues analyzed the PCBs.  $^{14}\text{C}$  labeled compounds will be used to determine placental milk transfer of PCBs PBB. A lymphocyte culturing technique will be used to measure the integrity of the animals' immune system. The role of trace minerals, particularly copper, in the "early kit loss" problem will be studied through mink feeding experiments. Minkbreeding trials involving males producing spermatozoa that contain cytoplasmic droplets will be conducted to determine the significance of the droplet on the fertilizing ability of the spermatozoa.

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**RECYCLING WASTES INTO ANIMAL FEEDS**

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Proj. No.: MICL03146

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 74 To 19 FEB 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Combine dried animal wastes (e.g., poultry wastes) and items from local wastewater ponds into a pellet acceptable for various high yield, low cost fish species grown under intensive culture conditions.

**APPROACH:** Microplankton and macrophytes will be mechanically harvested from MSU wastewater ponds. Analyses will be made on these and farm animal wastes for components important in fish diets. These products will be processed and combined to form fishfood pellets. Northern climate fishes with potential for high production at low cost will be fed standard commercial diets and experimental pellets. Growth rates, food conversion rates and fish production will be compared, resulting in maximum dietary use of farm animal wastes and biological production from wastewater ponds.

**PROGRESS:** 74/03 TO 81/02. Rainbow trout grew well on diets formulated from aquatic plants, crustaceans and poultry wastes. Carp growth on this diet was inversely related to quantities of poultry waste. Water quality in a terminal wastewater lake maintained exceptional growth rates for forage and recreational fish without accumulation of harmful levels of toxic materials in fish. The growth of cage-reared channel catfish was significantly impaired by high pH and ammonia concentrations in a terminal wastewater pond.

**PUBLICATIONS: 74/03 TO 81/02**

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**EVALUATION OF BY-PRODUCTS FROM CATFISH PROCESSING WASTE FOR CATFISH FEED SUPPLEMENTS**

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Proj. No.: 7003-20530-004-A

Project Type:

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.

Agency ID: ARS

Period: 07 SEP 79 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate nutritional value for channel catfish fingerlings of concentrated protein, bone meal and oil by-products made from catfish processing waste; recommend practical catfish feed formulations based on optimum use of these by products.

**APPROACH:** Determine protein efficiency ratio, protein digestibility and amino acid availability in aquaria studies with channel catfish fingerlings fed several concentrated protein by-products made from catfish processing wastes (heads, viscera and skins) in isonitrogenous, isocaloric semi-purified diets. Evaluate possible adverse effects of added catfish oil and/or bone meal prepared from catfish processing waste. Incorporate acceptable by-products into practical commercial-type catfish feeds and evaluate in aquaria feeding tests.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. This is a specific cooperative agreement between SEA and Mississippi State University to assist the catfish industry in locating suitable uses for by-products made from processing wastes. Initial fingerling feeding tests were made with four by-products as follows: silage with bones, silage without bones, catfish bone meal, and standard menhaden meal (control). Results were disappointing for the silage by-products. Digestible protein for these products was less than 30% apparently due to uncontrolled protein cleavage. Catfish fingerlings cannot utilize short-chain amino acids. Further work to define this problem has been initiated.

**PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**PRACTICAL FEED FORMULATIONS AND FEEDING PRACTICES FOR CATFISH FARMING IN MS**

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Proj. No.: MIS-0852

Project Type: GRANT

Agency ID: CS&S

Period: 18 FEB 81 To 28 FEB 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate the practical application of computer derived least cost ration formulations in catfish production ponds; compare experimental rations developed from the most current catfish nutrition information available to a standard commercial ration used throughout the industry; evaluate any effects of peanut meal as a feed ingredient on the shelf life of processed fish; evaluate diet formulation for winter feeding regimes in catfish production ponds.

**APPROACH:** Experimental rations will be formulated and compared to currently used commercial rations in both summer and winter feeding studies for channel catfish. Research will be conducted with both fingerling and market-size channel catfish cultured in 0.04/ha earthen ponds.

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**ANALYSIS OF THE MARKET POTENTIAL FOR FRESH WATER AQUACULTURAL PRODUCTS PRODUCED IN NEVADA**

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Proj. No.: NEV00270      Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSFS      Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the cost and availability of byproduct food stuffs for feeding catfish and shrimp in Nevada. Estimate the demand for catfish, shrimp and plants produced in fresh warm water ponds. Estimate the marketing margins for fresh water products and estimate marketing constraints placed on fresh water products by the institutional trade.

**APPROACH:** Availability and costs will be estimated for byproduct feeds which prove feasible as shrimp and catfish food in a large scale pilot production study. Nevada brokerage firms, and if necessary California processing firms, will be surveyed to ascertain the possibility of marketing live shrimp. These firms will also be interviewed to determine existing marketing margins for different types of products handled by these firms. A similar procedure will be followed for catfish and freshwater plants that might be complementary to shrimp and catfish.

**PROGRESS:** 77/01 TO 80/09. Budgetary analysis of production costs of freshwater shrimp produced in 10 one-acre plots reflect a cost of \$2.23 per lb. live weight at production levels experienced in the experiment. (About 2,000 lbs. per acre.) Increased feeding levels and other management practices could possibly raise production to 3,000 lbs. or even 4,000 lbs. per acre. Production costs for these levels were estimated to be \$1.60 and \$1.31 per lb., respectively. Four marketing alternatives were considered: Whole live, whole fresh, fresh; headless and frozen headless. Processing costs for the first two alternatives were negligible, but both headless process required substantial capital investment and operating costs. Costs for processing 20,000 lbs. of live shrimp were \$7.79 for fresh headless and \$7.91 for frozen headless. Thus, at current production levels, total cost of producing fresh headless shrimp would be \$12.15 per lbs. Even doubling the production level to 40,000 lb. would only reduce the total cost per lb. of product to \$6.53--well above the current wholesale price of \$4.50. Production of live or fresh whole fresh-water shrimp does appear to be a viable pursuit for persons with a source of hot water providing they can develop a ready market for the product.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 77/01 TO 80/09  
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**NEW FOOD PRODUCTS FROM UNDERUTILIZED FISH SPECIES**

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Proj. No.: NJ10410      Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES      Period: 10 APR 80 To 09 APR 85

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the best estimated of availability of East Coast fish species, e.g. Whiting, Squid, Butterfish, Eel; study factors which affect their low acceptability; to prepare new food products of much higher, consumer acceptability from underutilized fish species.

**APPROACH:** Underutilized fish species, Whiting, Squid, Butterfish and Eels will be examined to determine which factors contribute to low consumer acceptance. Especial emphasis will be given on texture, flavor, aroma and color by using existing chromatographic techniques.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Various conditions and methods to grow the American eel (*Anguilla rostrata*) were studied. The fish were caught in a glass eel stage (5 cm in length) and grown to a full size (60-70 cm. in length) in tanks. The effect of some environmental factors on growth were studied. Special emphasis was placed on feed composition in relation to fat content and fat composition of a fully grown eel. This is the critical factor in consumer acceptance in smoked eel.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**RECLAMATION OF PROTEIN AND FLAVOR MATERIALS FROM CLAM WASH WATER**

HOOD L F; ZALL R R; FOOD SCIENCE; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-143380      Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES      Period: 08 NOV 74 To 30 SEP 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Convert pollutants from a clam processing facility into profitable food products.

**APPROACH:** Wash water from the mincing and shredding of clams will be pumped through a pulverizer to mince the tissue pieces. The material will be filtered or clarified to remove the sand. Solids content will be standardized and the produce processed as clam juice. An alternate approach will be to recover the tissue particulates from the wash water and process them as a clam chowder base.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Fish broth was prepared by combining cleaned yellowtail flounder (*Limanda ferruginea*) racks with six times their weight of cold tap water, and boiling in a steam jacketed kettle. After cooking, the liquid portion was strained to remove bones. The resultant liquid, called fish broth, was put into cans and retorted. The results of these studies indicate that the racks must be fresh or have been frozen cleaned in order to make a high quality broth. Broth made from racks which had been stored overnight uncleared in ice developed off odors and flavors during storage. Processing conditions contributed little to the deterioration of the broths. The broth would be used as a food ingredient. Therefore, it was utilized at varying levels in a fish chowder to determine if it could function as a partial or complete fish replacement. An equivalent chowder could be made when half of the fish was replaced by broth. When the broth was used as a total replacement the taste panel scores of the chowders decreased. It was anticipated that the rack residues remaining after broth manufacture would be converted to fish meal. Mineral and amino acid assays were conducted on fish meals made from the rack residues. These meals were of equivalent nutritive quality to a commercial meal.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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**POTENTIAL OF DIFFERENT UNDERUTILIZED SPECIES OF FISH FOR CONVENIENCE FOODS**

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**OBJECTIVES:** To develop nutritious, palatable convenience and economical products from species of fish not explored in the past. To study the factors which affect water holding capacity of fish flesh which is extremely important in functionality, cook-out, texture, juiciness and flavor of new fish products. To study composition of the effect of bones in fish flesh on functionality, flavor and texture of further processed foods.

**APPROACH:** Product development will proceed according to the following plan: Brainstorming for ideas, developing new products, testing the product for optimum consumer satisfaction and storage studies. Five mechanisms will be studied for increasing water holding capacity: pH, ionic strength, specific ionic effects cleavage of actomyosin linkages and calcium and magnesium binding. Hnd deboned fillets, minced fish and fish bones will be studied by measuring variables such as pH, proximate analyses and



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Experiments on extending shelf life of red hake and salmon were conducted using potassium sorbate in a dip or in storage ice, and/or stored in Barrier Bags (cryovac) with modified atmospheres. Effective treatments were as follows: (1) All potassium sorbate treatments inhibited some TMA-producing bacteria; (2) CO(2) in modified atmospheres without ice at 20 or 60% was highly effective in extending shelf life of fresh fish. The greatest effect was obtained with a combination of 1% w/v potassium sorbate ice and an atmosphere of 60% CO(2), with refrigerated storage. Taste panel results indicated no off-flavors or off-odors attributable to treatment after storage of at least 4 weeks, after the fish was received at our lab. A study of the effects of different polyphosphates on the water binding properties of trout muscle showed differences in magnitude and in mechanisms by which the polyphosphates produced these changes. Hexameta- and glass-phosphates have a much greater potential for increasing water binding than pyro- or tripolyphosphate, mostly by a specific anion effect. In contrast, pyro- and tripolyphosphate increased water binding potential mostly through pH increases. Hexameta- and glass-phosphates were less effective for reducing expressible moisture than pyro- or tripolyphosphate, probably because of the inability of the longer chain polyphosphates to interact with the proteins.

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JAUREGUI, C.A. 1981. Effect of Polyphosphates on the Water Binding Properties of Muscle Proteins. Ph.D. Thesis, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 144 pp.

BAKER, R.C. and DARFLER, J.M. 1980. Development of Products from Minced Fish: 7. Canned Fish Balls in Tomato Sauce. New York Sea Grant Bulletin.

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APPROACH: To improve the texture stability of frozen red hake and whiting (underutilized East Coast gadoids), particularly after mincing. Additives and heat treatments will be investigated. To determine if the trimethylamine oxide to dimethylamine and formaldehyde reaction is cold-activated or freeze-activated. To better understand the mechanism by which polyphosphates effect the water retention properties of fish flesh.

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APPROACH: The digestive tract of the surf clam will be extracted and a screening program for enzyme activities will be executed. Particular attention will be given to the existence of unusual gluconases capable of hydrolyzing glucans which are the major component of the surf clam diet, and also the major component of plant food processing wastes.

PROGRESS: 73/1 TO 80/12. The carbohydrase activities extractable from the significant waste of the shellfish processing industries have been tabulated and characterized. Many have promising application elsewhere in the technological community. Potential applications include pretreatment of wastes in plant food processing industries and the brewing industry. One product, laminarinase, is now commercially available through a chemical supply house.

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Proj. No.: NC02111 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSES Period: 01 NOV 77 to 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Investigate factors affecting the texture of products made from mechanically defatted fish tissue, collect texture data on several species and commercial handling procedures develop methods for improving texture, and develop products from N. C. coast species that have commercial potential.

APPROACH: Atlantic croaker and other species will be studied to determine the effect of harvesting, handling and processing conditions on protein denaturation and resulting poor texture. Major muscle proteins will be separated into sarcoplasmic protein and individual myofibrillar protein such as myosin and actin to study their roles in gel formation, water binding, etc. Enzyme activity during heating and resulting protein changes will be determined. Results will be applied to development or improvement of specific products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An alkaline protease found in mechanically deboned fish has been shown to be derived from both muscle tissue and visceral contamination and to cause texture breakdown during thermal processing of fish gels. Alkaline protease was partially purified from both muscle and liver tissue (both enzymes being cytoplasmic in nature and heat stable). The muscle protease is a sulfhydryl protease and does not require  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  for its activity while the liver enzyme(s) is  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  activated. Several Atlantic fish species have been examined with respect to the textural properties of gels prepared from the washed and unwashed minces. Processing factors which affect the textural characteristics of fish gels include processing temperature/time, pressure, method of comminution, additives (soy, egg and whey albumins, various starches and hydrocolloids), method of forming, and frozen storage. Several simulated shellfish meats have been successfully fabricated based on washed mince (surimi) such as shrimp, clam strips and scallops. Work is processing to develop appropriate electrophoretic, isoelectric focusing and/or immunoelectrophoretic techniques for the determination of species composition of minced fish and surimi blocks.

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DEVELOPMENT OF IMPROVED HANDLING, SHIPPING/STORAGE  
AND MARKETING PRACTICES FOR FISHERY PRODUCTS

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OBJECTIVES: Describe the factors which contribute to loss of quality in fresh and frozen raw seafoods, develop and test rapid methods of quality assessment and evaluate new handling, packaging, storage/shipment and marketing techniques for their potential in improving market life and quality of these products.

APPROACH: North Carolina seafood species will be studied to determine how handling, processing and storage methods may be imposed to minimize quality deterioration due to bacterial and autolytic processes. Gross and specific enzyme assays will be used to identify the source and mode of action of degradative enzyme systems. Various packaging and storage regimes, involving both refrigerator and freezer temperatures, will be tested in combination with various prestorage treatments (sanitizers, antioxidants, etc.) to improve market life of fishery products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Freeze thaw handling as a means of merchandising prepackaged fish appears to be feasible from both a technical and marketing standpoint. Previous supermarket sales tests demonstrated the acceptability of chilled fish labeled "previously-frozen." Vacuum-packaged fish previously frozen for 100 days at -20 degrees C, thawed and held chilled were found to have a saleable life equal to that of fresh fish from the same lot stored chilled in an identical manner. Shelf-life studies of fresh and previously-frozen grey trout are continuing in order to evaluate modified atmosphere packaging, various predrips and thorough washing prior to packaging as means of extending the life. Analyses will include: changes in the microbial flora on the surface, changes in gaseous composition within the package. A second consumer test will compare sales of prepackaged (modified atmosphere) fresh and previously-frozen fish (so-labeled) with that of vacuum packaged frozen fish.

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ESTUARINE INVERTEBRATE BEHAVIOR; AN INDEX OF SUBACUTE  
TOXICITY OF AQUATIC HERBICIDES

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OBJECTIVES: Determine the chronic, subacute behavioral effects of 2,4-D herbicide on grass shrimp, Palaemonetes pugio Holthuis; to explore the feasibility of assessing xenobiotic-induced behavioral dysfunctions of aquatic vertebrates and invertebrates by application of behavioral toxicology techniques.

APPROACH: Dosages of 2,4-D which produce no lethality or locomotor dysfunction for 7 days following a 3 day post-collection period will be determined for adults and larvae. Then, the phototactic behavioral reflexes of dark adapted and dosed shrimp will be tested daily in compartmentalized chambers illuminated by a horizontally directed, intensity controlled monochromatic light stimulus with a duration of 5s at 15s intervals for 5 replications. Shrimp in the compartment nearest the light will be designated photo-positive. Swimming speeds of larvae will be determined in Petri dishes by measuring distances traveled per unit time.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 78/12. The effect on adult females, three larval stages, and eggs of the grass shrimp, Palaemonetes pugio, exposed to subacute doses of the herbicide Weedar-64 (registered trademark) (Am. Chem., Inc.), containing 48.3% of the dimethylamine salt of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, was tested. Auxiliary ingredients, mainly water, were assumed to be non-toxic. Alteration of phototaxis was chosen as the indicator of an effect on adults and larvae; eggs were examined for percent hatch. Photoactive patterns of larvae and adults receiving 100 ppm Weedar-64 daily were recorded for 12 days. Positive phototaxis was reduced by 2,4-D in all three larval stages tested. Sensitivity varied with developmental stage (stage 1 was most sensitive). Stage 1 larval responses were altered more by 2,4-d exposure than by aging, but for stages 3 and 7, larval ages influenced phototaxis more than doses. Adults were unaffected. The doses tested did not affect the hatching of eggs.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 78/12  
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UTILIZATION OF LATENT MARINE RESOURCES AND  
BY-PRODUCTS WASTE

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Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 79 To 30 JUN 84

OBJECTIVES: Convert hake, hake waste and other underutilized fish and fish waste into a more useful form by autolytic hydrolysis, oil, bone, and odor removal, concentration, and/or drying.

APPROACH: Conventional heat exchange systems will be compared to scraped surface systems to determine the most effective method for autolytic hydrolysis. Methods for oil, bone, and odor removal necessary to upgrade protein quality will be examined using centrifugal and concentrated and/or dried using commercially applicable procedures that will provide demonstration samples that may be used for marketing and other evaluations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Conversion of hake to a food quality protein concentrate continues to be the main orientation of this project. Samples of whole hake were digested and deboned. Some of these samples were oil extracted and spray dried, producing an FPC with excellent functionality. An unextracted sample was also spray dried. Fifty pounds of this sample was prepared for salmon nutrition studies. A number of improvements were innovated. These included: (1) the development of a metering system to feed the hopper leading to the heat exchanger, (2) installation of a reaction vessel that permitted continuous flow, (3) development of an extraction and recovery system for the fish oil. It was noted that hake oil could be of two distinct qualities. Those feeding on shrimp appeared to produce a red pigmented oil and those feeding on anchovies an amber yellow oil. Samples of partially deboned and acidified hydrolysate were prepared for feeding trials for the Animal Science Department. A change in the pattern of the Oregon trawl fleet resulted in an increase in catch of the "soft brown" rockfish (Sebastes entomelas). During 1980 approximately 7000 metric tons were landed. This generated more than 4000 metric tons of carcass waste that created a disposal problem. The problem was aggravated by indications that mink did not do well when subjected to this type of feed. This scrap digested well in our system and produced an animal food grade product with good feed characteristics.

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THE TREATMENT AND USE OF WASTE PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS  
IN THE DIET OF AQUATIC ANIMALS

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OBJECTIVES: Feed crab waste & evaluate it as a feed supplement for trout & salmon. Experiment with microwave energy as an alternate method of cooking crab sections. Utilization of the waste product will determine the value of the process to the producer. We propose to synthesize epoxy canthaxanthin & determine the effect of these alkylating agents on trout. Evaluate citrus peels that have been processed as a feed supplement to some aquatic animals.

APPROACH: Diets for trout & salmon have been developed & in some cases commercial rations are available. The materials to be tested will either be adsorbed on prepared diets or incorporated into defined diets. Where the best diet is at present unknown the effect of various test diets will have to be determined by looking at growth rate & the condition of various organs. An attempt will be made to determine the point of deposition of various compounds that are added. Fish necropsy will be performed to determine abnormal effects particularly with the addition of epoxy canthaxanthin. Microwave energy cooking & thawing will be used as an alternative means of processing crab. The waste material from this will be compared with conventionally cooked material.

PROGRESS: 74/10 TO 80/09. The deposition of carotenoid pigments was studied in the freshwater prawn with and without eyestalk ablation. Ablated prawn fed a pigmented diet showed a significant increase in pigmentation over the nonablated controls fed pigmented diets. The major pigment in the flower *Adonis aestivalis* was proved to be astaxanthin diester. The diester was completely characterized to the SS' chiral form. The whole flower fed to rainbow trout proved to be toxic but an extract showed good pigmentation. Fatty acid analysis proved that the ester is hydrolyzed and resynthesized in the trout skin. *Adonis* flowers represent the only plant source of the salmon pigment. In an effort to assess the cause of some brine shrimp supporting growth and survival of larval fish, *Artemia* were contaminated with environmental levels of cis-chlordane and dieldrin. These *Artemia* were fed to winter flounder. No mortalities were observed but lower growth was noted. Some increased lipid metabolism was seen and some metabolism of the chlorinated hydrocarbons was suggested.

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SENSORY & NUTRITIONAL EVALUATION OF SEAFOODS

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Proj. No.: RI00067 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 80 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Assess seafood quality using both objective and sensory methods. Determine the nutrient content as influenced by processing, preparation and storage. Study properties in food systems as influenced by processing, preparation and storage conditions. Use the information to develop new products from underutilized regional resources.

APPROACH: There is much work to be done with assessing seafood quality in terms of acceptability and nutritional values. Additionally, the effects of storage, cooking and processing on the parameters must be determined. An essential component of this work is the formation of a data bank. This is necessary in order to be able to store, organize and retrieve the large volumes of data that will be generated. Procedures include statistical differences and correlation. From this data, a characteristic edible profile and nutritional value of a species can be outlined.

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THE USE OF SELECTED MARINE MATERIALS AND BY-PRODUCTS  
FOR CERTAIN HORTICULTURAL CROPS

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Proj. No.: SC00456 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 80 To 30 JUN 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the effects of seaweeds, seaweed extracts, fish by-products, such as oyster shells, shrimp shells, fish meals and fish emulsions on nutrient availability. Determine the growth regulating properties of selected seaweed materials.

APPROACH: All materials used in the research will be chemically analyzed. Rates of application will be determined through greenhouse tests. Crops, including chrysanthemum, geranium, holly, azalea and several vegetables will be grown in the mixtures under standard and reduced commercial fertilizer regimes. Correlations between soil and foliar analyses and accumulated plant dry weights will be made to determine fertilizer utilization under greenhouse and field conditions. Vegetable yield and quality parameters will also be determined. Seaweed extracts will be analyzed for plant hormones. Effective and quick purification techniques for use of Gas Liquid Chromatography will be explored. Using seaweeds of known hormone content(s) and reference hormone materials, Applications to plants will be made in the greenhouse. Growth and quality comparisons will be made.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. Chemical analysis of coastal SC fish by-products resulted in 9.0, 3.8, .36, and 7.2% N, P, K, and Ca, respectively, with several trace elements present. This material will be incorporated into the backfill for *Ilex crenata rotundifolia* under simulated landscape conditions. Simplification of purification and extraction procedures for gas liquid chromatographic (GLC) analysis of sea plant products has been accomplished. Identification of several plant growth regulating hormones have resulted. The significance of the research is energy conservation through agricultural use of sea plants and marine by-products, rapid GLC analysis of sea plant products by manufacturers, and possible application of the simplified GLC procedure for analysis of an array of natural materials.

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QUALITY FACTORS FOR FISH AND SHELLFISH STORAGE

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**OBJECTIVES:** To determine the yield after each processing step for both fresh and pre-frozen fish. To assess microbiological characteristics of minced flesh as influenced by species, processing steps and raw product quality. To determine chemical properties and frozen storage stability of minced flesh from different species. Freezing finfish. To determine composition of finfish as influenced by season, species, and area of catch. To establish optimum freezing rates and storage temperatures. To evaluate effectiveness of glazes, packaging methods and materials, controlled atmospheres and antioxidants in extending frozen shelf life of Gulf of Mexico finfish.

**APPROACH:** Deboned fish flesh. Minced flesh from 6 to 8 different species will be produced. Analyze deboned flesh for total protein, fat, ash, moisture, fatty acid composition, total volatile nitrogen, malonaldehyde, soluble protein and pH. Number and types of microorganisms will be determined after each processing step. Using above chemical quality parameters, determine stability of frozen deboned flesh over one-year storage period. Freezing of finfish—Using chemical, microbiological and sensory evaluations, determine frozen storage stability of fish packaged five different ways. Evaluate effect of freezing rates and frozen storage temperatures by using different freezing techniques.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Composition, quality and stability during frozen storage of Gulf of Mexico finfish species were investigated. The fish, which were frozen both fresh and after five days on ice, included; spotted trout, black drum, tilefish, flounder, swordfish and red fish. Each species was frozen vacuum packed, in a carbon dioxide atmosphere, water-glazed, over-wrapped with PVC and over-wrapped dressed. All samples were held at two different temperatures during frozen storage. In every case tested, vacuum packed fish was shown to have superior frozen storage stability followed by dressed and glazed fish. For the lean white species (flounder, tilefish, trout and red fish) little difference between holding at -30 degrees C and -15 degrees C could be observed after one year of frozen storage. For the dark muscle fish however, a holding temperature of -30 degrees C was shown to be superior. Black drum developed rancidity early except for fish packed in vacuum. Swordfish also developed some rancidity however, the main problem with this species during frozen storage was shown to be loss in water holding capacity and subsequent bad texture. All other fish tested were of good quality even after one year of frozen storage. This study will help the Gulf Seafood industry develop frozen finfish products. Melanosis in shrimp is a major problem to the Texas shrimp industry.

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**PROCESSING QUALITY AND PACKAGING FACTORS WHICH AFFECT THE UTILIZATION OF FISH AND SHELLFISH**

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Proj. No.: TEX06242 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 30 MAY 79 To 29 MAY 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate physical parameters that accelerate melanosis, determine precursors of melanosis and enzyme kinetics, evaluate potential inhibitors of melanosis, determine Na-bisulfite decomposition mechanism. Evaluate quality characteristics of fish in various gaseous atmospheres controlled initially and and "completely" during refrigerated storage, determine changes in gaseous composition in packages, evaluate spoilage parameters of fish in controlled atmospheres.

**APPROACH:** Factors related to handling on board will be evaluated, enzymes associated with melanosis will be extracted from shrimp, purified and their activities determined, potential inhibitors tested, head space gases from sulfite treated shrimp will be analyzed. Fish packaged in six gas atmospheres stored at 0-2 and 5-8C for 18 days will be examined for sensory, biochemical and microbiological qualities, composition of gases in packages will be analyzed by gas chromatography.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Modified-atmosphere packaging (MAP) of fish using carbon dioxide was shown to be effective in inhibiting the growth of typical gram-negative spoilage organisms. Gram-positive organisms, especially lactobacilli, not normally associated with fish held on ice, were little affected by the modified atmospheres. This selective inhibition of the typical gram-negative spoilage organisms, together with the much slower growth rate of gram-positive organisms on fish, results in a significant extension of shelf-life when using CO(2) atmospheres. The seafood industry should benefit from the use of MAP systems with CO(2). The higher initial costs of packaging would certainly be compensated by savings on transportation and handling costs and, most of all, by a significant extension in the shelf-life of the product. Indole levels have recently been used by the Food and Drug Administration as an index of quality in fresh and frozen shrimp. The determination of indole, however, has been performed using sophisticated and expensive instrumentation prohibiting its use as a quality control tool in the seafood industry. A simple method where indole is extracted with light petroleum from trichloroacetic acid-precipitated shrimp muscle was developed. The extracted indole, soluble in light petroleum, is re-extracted with Ehrlich's reagent and indole in form of a rose indole complex can be determined spectrophotometrically. It is anticipated that this modified method may find its use as a much needed quality control tool in the seafood industry.

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**MICROBIOLOGICAL ASPECTS TO SHELLFISH SANITATION AND QUALITY**

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Proj. No.: TEX06054 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 07 JAN 74 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the level and seasonal distribution of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* in freshly harvested oysters, clams and mussels. The effect of processing and handling procedures in wholesale and retail operations on *V. parahaemolyticus* also will be studied. Data on environmental and water characteristics will be used to examine possible relations between microbiological quality of seafoods and environmental characteristics.



APPROACH: Cystere, clams and mussels from Galveston Bay and waters and sediment from these areas will be examined for microbiological parameters (V. parahaemolyticus, coliforms, fecal coliforms, etc.).

PROGRESS: 74/01 TO 80/01. *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* is a potential pathogen transmitted to humans by consumption of contaminated seafoods. *V. parahaemolyticus* was present in low concentrations in about 60% of oysters, water and sediment of the Gulf of Mexico. No seasonal distribution of this organism was noted. There was no significant relationship between levels of *V. parahaemolyticus* and other bacteriological or environmental parameters. No increase in *V. parahaemolyticus* concentrations of seafood occurred when good processing practices were applied. Most seafood isolates of *V. parahaemolyticus* belonged to serotype 05: K17 and differed from typical clinical isolates. Few were hemolytic (Kanagawa-positive). Kanagawa-positive and Kanagawa-negative strains of *V. parahaemolyticus* were examined for enterotoxigenicity, enteropathogenicity, drug resistance and plasmid DNA content. No significant relationship existed between cultural characteristics and indices of pathogenicity. Only 3 of 31 strains, all patient isolates, contained plasmid DNA with molecular weights of 24 or 60 million daltons.

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METHODS OF MODIFIED-ATMOSPHERE PRESERVATION OF  
REFRIGERATED FRESH FISH

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Proj. No.: WIS05171 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 80 TO 31 JUL 82

OBJECTIVES: To investigate the modified-atmosphere packaging of fresh fish with special emphasis on the behavior of *Clostridium botulinum* Type E in conditions of short-term, high abuse temperatures. To investigate the behavior of *C. botulinum* Type E in long-term storage under refrigeration conditions with particular reference to the effects and influences of sorbic acid and varying atmospheres. To develop practical and effective methods for assessing the potential shelflife of modified-atmosphere packaged fresh fish.

APPROACH: Fresh and saltwater species of fish will be obtained from commercial sources, and packaged in a range of modified-atmospheres, including carbon dioxide mixtures. Samples will be inoculated with mixed-strain *C. botulinum* spores and held under a range of conditions, including temperature abuses (60 degree - 90 degree F) up to 72 hours. Toxigenesis will be determined by mouse bioassays. Methods will be evaluated for assuring safety from *C. botulinum*, and will include carbon dioxide atmospheres, chemical preservation with potassium sorbate, and other food-approved additives. Microbiological and chemical indices for quality will be evaluated for application to preserved fish.

## 9. Product Quality, Nutritive Value, Consumption

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EVALUATION OF PESTICIDE LEVELS IN CATFISH PROCESSING  
WASTES

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Proj. No.: 7002-20530-001-A

Project Type:  
COOPERATIVE AGREE.

Agency ID: AES

Period: 18 SEP 78 TO 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Explore pesticide levels in catfish processing waste by sampling by-products obtained from catfish grown under commercial farm environments. (TO-1).

APPROACH: Following a literature search, obtain separate samples of heads, viscera, and skins from catfish processing plants located in two separate geographic areas (Mississippi River Delta and southwest Alabama) during the summer and winter growing seasons. Evaluate these samples for organochlorine insecticides such as aldrin, DDT and its analogues, dieldrin and heptachlor and correlate these data to the environmental management factors under which the fish were cultivated.

PROGRESS: 78/09 TO 80/09. Two channel catfish were collected at plant site from each of 59 farms in Ala., Ark., and Miss. The fish were brought back to the lab at Auburn Univ. and the head, skin, and viscera were removed as in the commercial processing operation. In 18 of the samples, the three parts were analyzed separately. The distribution of the pesticides among these three tissues was constant; therefore, it was assumed that in the remaining 41 samples, the 3 tissues could be composited for analysis. The pesticides assayed were a-BHC, heptachlor epoxide, pp'DDE, pp'DDD, dieldrin, endrin, and toxaphene. All samples assayed contained lower concentrations of pesticides than FDA action levels for human foods. Of all the pesticides assayed for, toxaphene was found in the highest amounts. However, only 4 samples exceeded 1 mg toxaphene/kg waste. The FDA action level for this substance is 5 mg/kg. The data provided by this study represent samples from the major catfish producing areas in the U.S. collected in two separate areas (i.e. Ala. vs. Miss.) through two growing seasons. Comparing pesticide values derived from this study with values in food and feed products made from other animal sources, catfish processing wastes contain very low levels of pesticides. Catfish processing wastes can be made into feedstuffs which can safely be blended into livestock or fish feeds.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/09 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ALA00630 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 71 TO 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate economics of production, processing, and marketing of freshwater food animals. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Mechanically deboned flesh from various fishes will be evaluated with regard to yield, quality, and storage stability. Waste from fish processing will be evaluated chemically and biologically, and technology will be developed for economic waste utilization. Methods will be tested for control of geosmin related off-flavor in pond raised fish. Costs and returns associated with production of food fish in various culture systems will be assessed. Identify and evaluate alternative marketing and distribution systems for fish with respect to market expansion, consumer reactions, and optimizing income to producers and processors.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. 59 collections of catfish processing waste (head, skin, viscera) from the major processing plants and representing production ponds from Ala., Miss. and Ark. were analyzed for a-BHC, heptachlor, DDE, DDT, dieldrin, endrin and toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene; the range was 0.06 to 3.6 mg/kg.

DDE and DDT was found in most; the range of DDE was 0.01 to 0.56 mg/kg and the range of DDT was 0.01 to 0.58 mg/kg. None of the pesticide concentration in any sample exceeded the levels allowed in human foods, indicating the waste should be safe to use in commercial fish feeds. 35 off-flavored catfish collected from processing plants in Mississippi during April-June 1980 were evaluated by a trained sensory panel for quality and intensity of off-flavor. Only six of the samples had the distinct geosmin flavor which was formerly thought to be the major off-flavor in pond raised catfish. The most prominent flavor was "fecal" (sewage or manure); other were "rancid", "paint", "diesel", and "algae". Extracts from each fish were sent to the Southern Regional Research Center (USDA - AR) for compound identification.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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- ICVELL, F.L. 1980. S-83 Annual Report: Freshwater Food Animals. So. Coop. Ser. Sp. Rep., June, 1980. 20 pp.
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009.003\* CRIS0066589  
**PIGMENTS OF MEAT AND FISH PRODUCTS (OFF-COLORS IN TUNA)**

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 Proj. No.: CA-D\*-FST-3011-WE Project Type: HATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 30 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine factors involved in development of off-colors in tuna fish.

**APPROACH:** Determine the extent of influence of post-mortem levels of organic phosphate compounds on oxidation rate of myoglobin. Evaluate the extent of contribution of oxidation to the darker colors of some species of fish, especially when frozen. Determine if organic peroxides produced during storage of fish are involved in greening reactions with myoglobins. Develop new color stabilizers for canned fish pet food products to replace nitrite in the event the use of nitrite should be banned. Develop new assay for free ribose inasmuch as the latter compound has been shown to be involved in an important deteriorative browning reaction in precooked skipjack tuna; evaluate means of inhibiting this browning reaction, e.g. by dipping fish prior to freezing in inhibitor solution.

**PROGRESS:** 74/09 TO 79/09. A method was developed for determining relative and absolute concentrations of myoglobin pigment derivatives in meats and fish, both untreated and treated with atmospheres containing carbon monoxide. A study was made to determine the fate of (14C) carbon monoxide in cooked or stored ground beef samples. Following exposure of meat samples to labeled CO, samples were either stored or cooked for varying periods of time. Aqueous and fat extracts were made and the amounts of radioactivity in these fractions and in the residues were determined. Activity in the aqueous fraction was due entirely to carboxymyoglobin; that in the lipid fraction was insignificant. During storage, CO was lost with a half-life of about 3 days. Maximum loss from cooked patties was about 85%. The use of low levels of CO may prevent the discoloration noted when red meats are stored in elevated levels of CO(2). Microbiological and color shelf lives of ground beef patties exposed to a 1% carbon monoxide, 50% carbon dioxide (balance air) atmosphere were significantly increased compared to controls held in air at 2 degrees C. Accompanying studies were made of the uptake of carbon monoxide by myoglobin in beef patties exposed to a 1% CO atmosphere, and the subsequent loss of carbon monoxide when samples are

placed in an air atmosphere under fluorescent illumination. The half-life for the loss of carbon monoxide from such samples was found to be about 2 days.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 74/09 TO 79/09

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#### MARINE FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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 Proj. No.: CA-D\*-FST-3865-E Project Type: HATCH  
 Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 84

**OBJECTIVES:** Provide new or altered technology resulting in improved quality in seafood products, including the production of more appealing products for the consumer and those in which nutrient retention is maximized. Provide means of improved and extended distribution of fresh and frozen seafoods via new and alternate methods of handling and processing. Develop new marine food products. Collect basic biochemical data on protein, lipid and other constituents of aquatic animals.

**APPROACH:** Apply innovative technological procedures to a variety of seafood products and determine the resulting quality of such products by chemical, microbiological and sensory analyses. Pursue detailed studies of the effects of modified atmosphere storage on seafood products, including investigation of the effectiveness of high levels of carbon dioxide in such systems. Determine structure and properties of myoglobins and other pigments from a variety of aquatic animals; examine lipid composition and oxidation in seafoods; and investigate deleterious chemical and microbiological changes in fish.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Rockfish fillets and salmon steaks were held in atmospheres containing 20% or 40% carbon dioxide. Controls were stored in air. At intervals of refrigerated storage up to 14 days, samples were removed for sensory, chemical, and microbiological analyses. Samples held in air were judged by panelists to have stronger aromas than others held under carbon dioxide at either level. The higher level of carbon dioxide was more effective. Storage under carbon dioxide was effective in reducing the formation of trimethylamine and ammonia, and markedly inhibited microbial growth. Histamine production by *Proteus morganii*, *Proteus vulgaris* and *Hafnia alvei* cultures isolated from spoiled skipjack tuna was measured under twelve environmental conditions. The highest histamine concentrations were found at 19 degrees C. and 30 degrees C; no histamine was formed at 1 degree C. *Proteus* organisms at first formed high levels of histamine, much of which was subsequently destroyed. The concentration of histamine in tuna products may depend on an equilibrium between histamine production and destruction. Amino acid sequences of the soluble tryptic peptides of yellowfin tuna myoglobin, comprising 60% of the total residues, were determined; the amino terminus is acetylated.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12



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BROWN, W.D., ALBRIGT, M., WATTS, D.A., BEYER, B., SPRUCE, B. and PRICE, K.J. 1980. Modified Atmosphere Storage of Rockfish (*Sebastes miniatus*) and Silver Salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*). Journal of Food Science 45(1):93-96.

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PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

009.005\* CRIS0064485  
DIETARY FACTORS IN WHITE FISH MEAL RESPONSIBLE FOR CATARACT FORMATION IN TROUT

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Proj. No.: CCL00032 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 73 To 30 JUN 80

OBJECTIVES: Investigate some of the nutritional factors in white fish meal responsible for growth retardation and high incidence of cataract in trout. Modify the white fish meal by addition of necessary factors or deletion of injurious substances so that it could be effectively used as a supplement to trout feed.

APPROACH: Feeding experiments: Long-range feeding of trout on a complete white fish feed will be performed in order to determine the incidence and time factor involved in the formation of cataract. The effect of lipid-free and heavy-metal-free diets will also be studied. Organic solvents will be used to extract lipid components, and specific chelating agents will be employed to remove heavy elements. The compositional analysis of white fish meal will be aimed at determining the amino acid content of proteins, free and bound carbohydrates and heavy trace elements. Automated amino acid analysis, gas chromatography and atomic absorption procedures will be used, respectively to accomplish these. Compositional analysis of lens proteins from normal and cataractous fish will be done after solubilization and separation of lens proteins by conventional procedures, followed by acid hydrolysis or proteins to liberate amino acids. The levels of cysteine, cystine and tryptophan will be particularly of interest.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Inclusion of white fish meal at a 20% level into the trout diet was found to cause cataract (67% at 140 days) and higher incidence of mortality (48%) as compared to herring-meal diet. No significant difference in the amino acid composition was found between herring and white fish meals. Fortification of the white-fish diet with tryptophan, histidine, tyrosine, phenylalanine, cystine, lysine or combination of all showed no significant decrease in the incidence of cataract. Fortification of diet with vitamins, A, D, E, B(12) or niacin did not alleviate the problem. Mineral analysis of the white fish and herring meals revealed significantly lower content of Fe, Zn, Se and Mn and a higher content of Ca and P for the white-fish, as compared to herring meal. Incorporation of commercially available mineral mix (protein-mineral chelates) into the white fish diet at 5-10% levels abolished the incidence of cataract and reduced the mortality by 90%. The ratio of calcium to available phosphate was found to be approximately 1.5 times higher for white-fish diet as compared to herring. Inclusion of additional phosphate into the white-fish diet to produce a Ca/P ratio close that of herring diet, reduced the incidence of cataract to 1%. The Na-K ATPase activity of cataractous lens was decreased by about 50%, as compared to normal lens. Fortification of white-fish diet with the mineral mix caused an increase of Na-KATPase activity to 84% of the normal diet.

009.006\* CRIS0071104  
FOOD PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT FROM FLORIDA UNDERUTILIZED FISH SPECIES

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Proj. No.: FLA-FS-01789 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 13 AUG 76 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop new products, minced fish products, intermediate moisture mullet roe, and canned fish; evaluate quality and investigate storage stability of the new products.

APPROACH: Several Florida underutilized fish species, either alone or mixed, will be investigated to determine the quality and subsequent storage stability of minced fish products. The improved method for processing mullet roe and the salt content, water activity and darkening problem related to the intermediate moisture mullet roe will be studied. The processing of various canned fish products, the quality and subsequent storage stability of the products will be studied.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Fish patties were prepared from mixing minced light color fish (sheephead) flesh with various concentrations of sodium alginate (NaAlg), tripolyphosphate (TPP), and salt (NaCl). The overall trend indicated that as the NaAlg. level was increased, the breaking force (firmness) decreased. At 0.10% NaAlg. as the NaCl level was increased, it was necessary to decrease the TPP concentration in order to attain the same breaking force. As the NaAlg. level was increased at a constant TPP level, the breaking force increased. At NaAlg. levels 0.10% the trend begins to change so that in some instances it was necessary to increase the TPP to a maximum point and then decrease it in order to maintain the same breaking force. Consequently at a fixed NaAlg. and a constant TPP level, two levels of NaCl would produce the same breaking force. Also, if the NaAlg. and TPP levels remained constant, then an increase in NaCl would first cause a decrease in breaking force and then a slight increase. The trend toward an increase in breaking force became less apparent at the higher NaAlg. levels. Effect of washing temperature on fish muscle proteins in the washing treatment of minced fish mullet was studied.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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009.007\* CRIS0068717  
SMOKING OF SEAFOOD AND POULTRY

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Proj. No.: FLA-FS-01763 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 JUN 81

OBJECTIVES: Investigate the effects of brining, smoking and storage on the chemical, microbial and sensory attributes of selected seafood and poultry products.

APPROACH: The effects of brine concentration, brining time, smoking times and temperature will be studied as to their effects on quality attributes of selected seafood and poultry products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Effects of brine concentration (0-6%), intensity of smoking (1.5 or 3.0 hr), method of cooking (baked, broiled or fried) and frozen storage on the acceptance of cold smoked mullet fillets were determined. A twenty member sensory panel indicated that fillets soaked in 4% brine for 30 min, smoked for 1.5 hr at 48C and deep fat fried were an acceptable product. Frozen storage of the smoked fillets for two weeks or of the whole fish for six weeks prior to smoking had no significant effect on acceptance of the product. Panel members gave the product a "very good" rating and indicated they would purchase it if available.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

KOBURGER, J.A. and OTWELL, W.S. 1980. Florida Smokies: A Fried Cold Smoked Fillet Produced From Roe Mullet. Proc. Trop. and Subtrop Fish Conf. 5:54-61.

OTWELL, W.S., KOBURGER, J.A. and DEGNER, R.L. 1980. Low-Temperature Smoking Technique Opens Route for New Fish Products. Food Prod. Develop. 14:16-18.

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ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AFFECTING SURVIVAL OF THERMALLY-INJURED BACTERIA FOUND ON FISHERY PRODUCTS

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Proj. No.: GEO01209

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Construct an instrument for monitoring the effects of rates of chilling and freezing on lethality to bacteria; evaluate methodology for isolation and enumeration of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* with regard to suitability of procedures for the resuscitation of thermally (heat and cold) stressed cells; formulate and evaluate new culture media for the support of thermally stressed *V. parahaemolyticus*; study the effects of natural (shellfish) environments versus laboratory formulations on the survival and injury of thermally shocked bacteria associated with fishery products.

APPROACH: An instrument will be built with the capacity to accurately and precisely chill or freeze samples of bacteria at selected rates and temperature extremes. Culturing media recommended for enrichment and isolation of *V. parahaemolyticus* will be examined for their usefulness to resuscitate thermally injured cells. Effects of chemicals on rates and extent of death of fish spoilage bacteria will be evaluated.

PROGRESS: 80/07 TO 80/12. No progress report this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/07 TO 80/12

BEUCHAT, L.R. 1980. Inhibitory Action of Potassium Sorbate, Sodium Benzoate, and Sucrose and Glycerol Esters of Fatty Acids Against *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*, (Abstr.). World Congr., Foodborne Infections and Intoxications, Berlin, F.R.G.

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THE OXIDATIVE DETERIORATION OF LIPIDS IN MECHANICALLY DEBONED POULTRY AND FISH

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Proj. No.: GEO00586

Project Type: BATCB

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 27 AUG 76 To 26 AUG 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine the role of hemoproteins, unsaturated lipids, free fatty acids, and free amino acids on the rate and mechanism of lipid oxidation in mechanically deboned fish and poultry meat. Determine the significance of the bone marrow of fish and poultry as a source of catalysts of lipid oxidation. Characterize the antioxidant component in shrimp and determine its use in mechanically deboned products. Develop methods to prevent or delay lipid deterioration in mechanically deboned products.

APPROACH: Mechanically deboned fish and poultry will be fractionated and the role of each component in lipid oxidation will be determined using a rapid oxygen uptake procedure. The constituents of bone marrow of fish and poultry will be characterized and the importance of the bone marrow as a source of prooxidants will be determined. Various approaches to prevent or delay oxidation of these products will include the removal of prooxidants, the addition of compounds to inactivate the prooxidants or the use of antioxidants. The initial screening of these methods will be conducted on model systems and the most promising treatments will be used on mechanically deboned products to determine their industrial use. The reported antioxidant component in shrimp will be isolated, identified, and used as one of the antioxidant treatments.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An investigation was initiated to determine the effects of antioxidants, storage temperature, packaging conditions and type of bird on the oxidative stability of freeze-dried poultry. Freshly slaughtered broilers and spent hens were hand deboned and the debone meat was mixed and ground after the addition of 2% salt and either BBT, BBA or no antioxidant. The ground meat was stuffed into cellulose casings and cooked in a water bath until an internal temperature of 77 degrees C was reached. After cooling, the cooked loaves were cut into cubes (1 x 1 x 2.5 cm) and frozen in a blast freezer at -30 degrees C. The cubed meat was freeze dried in two batches with nitrogen being used to release the vacuum on one batch while air was used on the second batch. The meat cubes were vacuum packaged with a nitrogen flush being used on the nitrogen treated samples. Samples were stored at 25 degrees and 50 degrees C and analyzed at 0, 4, 8, 12, and 24 weeks for TBA reagents, total values and browning index. The results indicated that TBA values are not very reliable when measuring oxidative rancidity in freeze-dried chicken. TBA numbers increased to a maximum value then decreased as the storage time continued. Antioxidants, BBT, and BBA, reduced the rate of increase in TBA values and maximum TBA values were reached after a longer storage period. Total carbonyl values also increased as the freeze dried samples were stored. Antioxidants had very little effect on the rate of carbonyl formation.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

ROGERS, T.L. 1980. Isolation and Characterization of Natural Antioxidants in Shrimp Processing Waste. M.S. Thesis, University of Georgia Library, Athens, Georgia. p. 75.

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HISTAMINE/HONEYCOMBING IN SKIPJACK TUNA

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Proj. No.: HAW00573

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop methodology for measuring decomposition in skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*). Learn the conditions of handling causing high histamine and/or honeycombing.

APPROACH: Suitable analytical methods for histamine, histidine and honeycomb in skipjack will be selected and developed. These are fluorescence, thinlayer and high pressure liquid chromatography. Appropriate samples indicative of methods of handling will be analyzed. These will include times and temperatures.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A study was completed on the effect of low-temperature (30 to 50 degrees F) incubation on histamine formation, honeycombing and quality deterioration in skipjack tuna. A study was completed on the effect of low-temperature (30 to 50 degrees F) incubation on microbial growth and histidine decarboxylation in skipjack tuna. A study was completed on the quantitative relationship between collagen breakdown and honeycombing in skipjack tuna. A nomograph was prepared to show the relationship of time-temperature-histamine in skipjack tuna under controlled conditions in the 70-100 degrees F range. A paper, "Bacterial histamine formation in skipjack tuna," was presented at the annual meeting of the Pacific Fisheries Technologists, March 16-19, 1980, in Astoria, Oregon. Tuna Research Workshop V was sponsored on December 11-12, 1980, in Honolulu to present a final report on the progress made on this project. A paper "Histamine formation and honeycombing during decomposition of skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*) at elevated temperatures," has been submitted for publication in Marine Fisheries Review. Additional manuscripts are being prepared for publication.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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POST-HARVEST HANDLING AND PROCESSING OF MACROBRACHIUM  
PRAWNS

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Proj. No.: HAW00576-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Define the quality of fresh and cooked prawns in terms of physical, chemical, bacteriological and organoleptic attributes. Assess the effect of various processing techniques (freezing, holding, packaging, storage and thawing) on the quality of the frozen prawns. Determine and recommend a set of handling, holding and processing conditions in terms of acceptable quality of frozen prawns for long term storage.

APPROACH: Zero-time control samples will be analyzed in terms of texture, pH, trimethylamine, collagen, and salt content, bacterial count and taste score. Prawns will be processed, stored and analyzed for the various quality attributes. Optimum conditions for processing, packaging and storing of frozen prawns will be determined based on the above results.

PROGRESS: 77/07 TO 80/12. Various postharvest handling and freezing procedures for the freshwater prawn, *Macrobrachium rosenbergii* were tested. Results of the frozen storage stability studies (6 mos) suggested that prawns may be chilled up to 48 hrs, then frozen and still maintain acceptable quality; the quality of prawns held under chilled conditions 48 hrs after thawing was still acceptable; post-blanching chilled storage may not be a practical prefreezing technique for commercial preservation and marketing of frozen prawns; and prawns can be frozen either in air or in brine at -18 degrees C, packaged in polythene bags with or without vacuum, or frozen in ice-blocks, and still maintain acceptable quality. Effect of purging on quality factors and cost-effectiveness were also tested. No significant difference (p less than or equal to 0.05) was found between the purged prawns and the control in their muscle's pH, ammonia content, soluble/insoluble collagen ratio, and peak height/plateau height ratio. However, the decrease in pH and peak height/plateau height ratio, and the increase in ammonia content and soluble/insoluble collagen with ice-chilled time were highly significant (p less than or equal to 0.01), indicating a gradual quality degradation when stored on ice. Postharvest purging helped to improve the appearance of the prawn but its cost-effectiveness based on economic feasibility analysis was doubtful.

PUBLICATIONS: 77/07 TO 80/12

NIP, W.K. and MOY, J.H. 1979. Effect of Freezing Methods on the Quality of the Prawn *Macrobrachium rosenbergii*. Proc. of World Maricult. Soc. 10:761-768.

009.012\* CRIS0066181  
PREFLAVORED CHANNEL CATFISH

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Proj. No.: KAN00919 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 JUN 78

OBJECTIVES: Explore the effects of conventional home cookery on the flavor of whole channel catfish preflavored with three commercial flavorants (e.g., onion, liquid smoke, garlic) when the treated fish are fresh; have been held in a household refrigerator 2-3 days; have been frozen in a household freezer, stored 1-2 months, then thawed before cooking.

APPROACH: Farm-raised channel catfish, 1/2-1 pound, will be preflavored by adding known quantities of flavorant(s) to their aquarium water. After being dressed and cooked, preflavored catfish and controls will be examined by flavor profile panel. Preflavoring treatments, cookery and examinations will be repeated at least once; at least two concentrations or two exposure times of each flavorant will be used. Research will be reported as a master's thesis.

PROGRESS: 74/06 TO 78/07. Prior work having shown the feasibility of preflavoring channel catfish in laboratory aquariums, experiments were conducted to explore the effects of conventional home cookery on the flavor of whole channel catfish preflavored with a commercially available liquid smoke flavorant. An experienced taste panel found that the flavor was retained in fish stored in home-type refrigerator for 1-3 days or in a commercial freezer up to 10 weeks; the dressed fish, 167-349 grams, were cooked plain by microwave or breaded, by frying. Details are given in Master's Thesis of Jo Karen Clithero, "Preflavoring Channel Catfish," 1975.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/06 TO 78/07  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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EVALUATION OF AQUATIC PLANTS AS POTENTIAL FEEDSTUFF  
FOR DAIRY CATTLE

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Proj. No.: LAB01852 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine the chemical composition, and cell wall and fiber components of dry water hyacinth for indicating its possible nutritive value. Determine the digestibility of dry water hyacinth ("in-vitro" and "in-vivo" studies). Determine whether dry water hyacinth would have any palatability problems or harmful effects when fed to dairy animals. Determine the feeding value of dry water hyacinth as a source of protein or as a roughage in the ration of growing dairy animals. Determine the feeding value of dry water hyacinth as a source of protein in a blended ration or as a roughage in the ration for lactating cows. Determine the feeding value of dry water hyacinth on milk yield and milk composition.

APPROACH: The nutritive value of dry water hyacinth will be evaluated by in-vitro and in-vivo studies. In-vitro cellulose and DM digestibility studies along with chemical analyses will be made. As a source of roughage, NH will be compared with C bermudagrass hay and alfalfa hay in rations for growing dairy heifers and lactating cows; as a source of protein at concentrate portion of the rations. Growth, milk production and composition will be studied.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/11. Paper prepared for presentation at the annual meeting of the Southern Division, American Dairy Science Association, New Orleans, La., 1979. Funds were not available for additional work during this period.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/11

ZERINGUE, S.P., KUSOFF, L.I. and WCLVERTON, B.C.  
1979. Water hyacinth a source of roughage for lactating cows. J. Dairy Sci. 62:Suppl. 1, 200.

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FLAVOR DIFFERENCES OF MECHANICALLY- AND  
HAND-PROCESSED CRAB MEATS

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Proj. No.: LAB01981 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAY 78 To 30 APR 82

OBJECTIVES: Study the influence of handling procedure of flavor retention in mechanically-processed crab meat. Assess organoleptic and gross compositional differences between hand- and mechanically-processed crab meats. Relate gas chromatographic patterns to flavor scores of crab meats. Assess the composition and importance of the nonvolatile flavors in crab meats. Develop a method or methods for the flavor enhancement of mechanically-processed crab meat.

APPROACH: Hand- and mechanically-picked Blue crab meat will be assessed for organoleptic and chemical differences. Flavor components lost will be characterized using combined gas chromatography and mass spectrometry, amino acid analysis and electrophoresis. Mechanically-picked meats will be treated with flavor enhancers to improve the flavor.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Isolation and characterization of protein losses resulting from the mechanical processing of Blue crab meat utilizing electrophoresis revealed significant differences in quantity and make-up of the protein fractions. Preliminary data have revealed the loss of the hemolymph with mechanical processing. This appears to be a significant portion of the protein losses. Further work is being undertaken to determine the feasibility of using cooler stressed Blue crabs for mechanical processing. Comparisons are being made between the processing of fresh, brine frozen and stressed blue crabs, as well as the electrophoretic patterns of the salt and water extractable proteins, to determine the effects of cooler stress.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

BIEDE, S.L., RUTLEDGE, J.E. and CALLABAN, C.A.  
1980. Flavor Differences in Blue Crab Meats.  
Scientific Information Bulletin No. 46. Takeda  
Inc.  
BIEDE, S.L., RUTLEDGE, J.E., BENDRY, P.L. and  
CALLABAN, C.A. 1980. Effects of Mechanical  
Processing on Crab Meat. La Agric. 23:14-17.

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DEVELOPMENT OF RAPID SEAFOOD QUALITY TESTS FOR  
COMMERCIAL AND REGULATORY USE

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Proj. No.: LAB01991 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 03 JUN 78 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop rapid analytical quality tests to detect chemical and biochemical mechanisms reflecting the chemical and physical deterioration of seafood products from the initial catch to a processed product for the consumer. Identify and establish key chemical compounds or components which can be related to the deterioration process of fresh seafood products. Correlate chemical and physical changes during the deterioration process in seafood with organoleptic data.

APPROACH: Simple and direct gas chromatographic (GC) techniques coupled with mass spectrographic analysis will be developed and utilized for identifying and separating chemical volatile components from commercially produced seafood products that are associated with flavor and the deterioration process. Organoleptic panels will be utilized for evaluations of flavor and deterioration and each chemical component and profile identified will be correlated with these evaluations. At the same time, morphological changes will be studied with a Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) for correlations with identifiable chemical changes.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The use of rapid and direct Gas Chromatographic (GC) techniques continued on shrimp, crab meat and crayfish (crawfish) as a means of establishing quality indices for decomposition measurements and correlations with chemical and/or biochemical tests. The acquisition of a new Varian BPIC Unit recently, will require new techniques and methodology to adapt our testing procedures. Work has continued to correlate structural changes with progressive decomposition as measured by GC and now BPIC. Structural changes were determined using photographic techniques of the scanning electron microscope and the transmission electron microscope. Scanning Electron Microscopy studies of *Vibrio cholerae* in relation to the factors affecting adsorption to Blue crabs and their shell were also studied with the scanning electron microscope. These studies revealed that *V. cholerae* cells were adsorbed in a more or less random pattern on the shell surface which may protect the cells from being washed off. Another area of continued investigation is based upon studies that reveal that microorganisms can suffer non-lethal injury from stresses, such as, low heat, low temperatures, low pH, low water activity, sanitizers and starvation as well as any various combinations of these stress.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

DIETRICH, M.A. 1980. Factors Affecting the  
Adherence of *Vibrio cholerae* to the Blue Crab  
(*Callinectes sapidus*). M.S. Thesis. La. State  
Univ., Baton Rouge.

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HANDLING AND PROCESSING OF FISH AND SHELLFISH

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Proj. No.: LAB00849 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 DEC 58 To 01 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Perform research on the best methods of harvesting, collecting, processing, packing, preserving, labeling, and distributing fish and shellfish. Work in packing plants to institute good manufacturing practices, quality assurance laboratories, and investigate the critical control points during the manufacture of fishery products. Monitor the microbiological, physical, chemical and organoleptic safety status of Gulf fish and shellfish on a routine basis to protect the consumer and industry.

APPROACH: Study the physical and biochemical mechanisms involved in deterioration of these products so that procedures may be developed to reduce the rate of decomposition and the formation of undesirable compounds in the foods. Rapid methods of testing will be developed to enable the producers and packers to evaluate the products prior to packing, and before the onset of initial spoilage. Tests will include the qualitative and quantitative measurement of pathogenic microorganisms, those that are an index of pollution, ammonia, trimethylamine, lactic acid, volatile acids, sulfhydryl groups, indole, amino N, etc., for the purpose of augmenting existing objective measurements. The reliability and predictability of the abbreviated tests will be compared to AOAC methods, and the data will be subjected to statistical analyses for sources of sample and technique, and products variation.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Crawfish: The effect of cooking, vacuum packaging and the presence or absence of hepatopancreatic tissue on the development of oxidative rancidity in frozen crawfish were studied. Two-thiobarbituric acid (TBA) values were determined every two months during the course of the study. There was a steady increase in TBA values in all cases with the progress of storage time. Both cooking and the presence of fat (hepatopancreatic tissue) on the tailmeat accelerated the production of malonaldehydes as indicated by the TBA test. Vacuum packaging significantly (p less than 0.01) lowered the TBA values as did the absence of fat. Crabs: The effect of various cooking temperatures and time periods were evaluated in relation to color changes in Blue crabs. These changes were also compared to the internal body temperatures in the crabs during cooking. The rate of color development was found to be dependent on time and temperature of exposure. Crabs placed in water at 100 degrees C had a mean "a" value of 15.27 on the Hunter scale after only 30 seconds of exposure. Values on the "a" scale 15 and above were considered typical of the red-orange color of cooked crabs. However, at this time and temperature exposure the crabs had an internal body temperature on only 16 degrees C thus, still showing effects of refrigerated storage. Longer exposures did not greatly enhance the color. Hence, crabs cooked in boiling water for thirty second appear generally the same as one cooked for sixteen minutes.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

AMR, A.S. and RUTLEDGE, J.E. 1980. Oxidative Rancidity in Whole-Glazed Frozen Crawfish. Proceedings of the 50th Annual Tropical and Sub-Tropical Fisheries Technological Conference of the Americas.

BIMELBLOCM, B.H. 1980. Heat Penetration, Shell Color Changes, and Meat Yields of Crabs, Crawfish, and Shrimp Under Various Cooking Conditions. M.S. Thesis, La. State Univ., Baton Rouge.

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#### REGULATORY PROBLEMS OF LOUISIANA FOOD INDUSTRIES

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Proj. No.: LAB00958

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 DEC 57 To 01 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: Assist the Louisiana food producers to conform to international, federal, state and local food laws, standards and good manufacturing practices. Perform immediate research on problems which arise and cause a controversy between an agency and packer or producer, or between these groups and consumer agencies. Monitor the safety and regulatory acceptance of Louisiana food products through routine quality assurance tests, and assist in recall of defective, contaminated or adulterated products. Inform Louisiana processors of new laws and their scientific interpretations and significance, and recommend new manufacturing procedures and equipment when laws require such modifications.

APPROACH: Handle each situation according to its state of urgency. When a health hazard is involved, the problem will be given immediate attention as to the causative agent, the action taken by the regulatory agencies involved, and a review with the participants, after which recommendations and action for its solution will be made. Reviews will be made of all proposed regulations and then recommendations will be made to the appropriate industries as to what the future significance of each might be. Scientific information collected in our laboratories will be offered to the legal staffs of the companies concerned and the regulatory agencies upon request. Several major areas of competence will be good manufacturing practices, nutritional labeling, microbiological standards and guidelines, food additives, quality assurance, and manufacturing regulations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The presence of *V. cholerae* in crabs taken in Louisiana has come under close scrutiny because of the implication of *V. cholerae* as a causative agent of foodborne illness in isolated outbreaks during the past few years. This study was initiated to provide regulatory agencies information on the thermal resistance of *V. cholerae* in crabs in order to establish safe cooking times. Results of the study have shown that the cooking procedures used by commercial crab processors appear to be generally adequate as far as bacterial quality of crab meat is concerned. One of the largest problems associated with establishing adequate cooking procedures is that the crabs vary in size, weight, condition, etc. which influences the heat penetration rate. Therefore, the safest recommendation would be to cook crabs until the slowest heating point reaches 71 degrees C and is maintained at that temperature for a minimum of 1-minute.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

SCHUTTLZ, L.M. 1980. Thermal Resistance of *Vibrio cholerae* in Blue Crabs (*Callinectes sapidus*) Meat Homogenates. M.S. Thesis, La. State Univ., Baton Rouge.

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#### QUALITY CONTROL OF CANNED SQUID

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Proj. No.: ME08594

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 76 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine quality of squid mantle and tentacles canned in oil and brine using 3 3/4 oz. sardine cans.

APPROACH: Two species of squid (*Illex illecebrosus*) and (*Loligo pealei*) will either be salted (1, 2 and 4 lbs per bushel) or brined (12, 22 and 32" salometer) and stored at 33, 50 and 70°F. Squid stored in ice will serve as reference sample. Evaluation of raw material will involve sensory and microbiological tests on samples removed at daily intervals. Canned product (skinless) will be evaluated for appearance, odor and texture. Drained weight and total solid analysis will be performed to determine weight loss due to handling and processing. Effect of blanching (149°F for 2 min) and the use of CaCl<sub>2</sub> on texture of selected samples (best quality product) will be evaluated. Shelf life of canned product will be initiated.

PROGRESS: 75/10 TO 80/09. Shelf life of brine refrigerated whole squid (*Illex illecebrosus*) was about 3 days at 7.2 degrees C and 5 days at 0.6 degrees C. No difference in keeping quality was detected when using 3 or 12% brine. Salt-requiring, heat-sensitive bacteria predominated in the spoilage flora. Sensory evaluation of whole squid and canned mantles showed significant correlations with trimethylamine-nitrogen and tyrosine content of the raw material. Precanning blanching caused 37% shrinkage and 15% loss of dry matter in fresh squid, which increased with preprocessor storage conditions to a maximum of 56% shrinkage and 42% loss of dry material. Squid mantles with skin removed were canned in oil, using quarter-pound aluminum sardine cans. The product had a good appearance, a mild flavor, and a firm texture; however, the mantles required blanching prior to canning. Ten minutes blanching in 3 percent boiling brine resulted in about 45 percent shrinkage. Addition of polyphosphate to the blanch water did not reduce shrinkage. Presence of citric acid in blanch water or the use of different oils in the can did not improve the quality of the canned mantle strips. Frozen storage temperature (-23 and -40 degrees C) of the raw material had no significant effect on the quality of the canned product. Squid mantle strips canned in oil had an acceptable shelf life.

#### PUBLICATIONS: 75/10 TO 80/09

NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

009.019\* CRIS0069947  
SHEAR PROPERTIES OF FROZEN FISH FILLET BLOCKS

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Proj. No.: MD-R-053 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 MAR 76 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Determine the shear properties of frozen fish fillet pieces. Determine effect of shearing on conformation of the resulting cut surface.

APPROACH: Frozen fish blocks will be sawed to sample size with hand saws. By use of an Instron machine and/or a guillotine cutter the fish sample pieces will be sheared and the force necessary to cut the samples recorded. Sample thickness, cutting speed, sample temperature when cut, knife geometry, fish muscle fibre direction and possibly fish species will be variables investigated and related to peak force necessary to cut the sample. The conformation of the sheared sample will be investigated to determine the effect shearing action has on squareness of corners and other critical parameters.

PROGRESS: 76/01 TO 80/09. Samples of frozen cod fillet blocks having different thicknesses and fillet orientations were sheared using a guillotine shearing device at -12.2 degrees, -17.8 degrees and -23 degrees C. Knife bevel angles of 10 degrees, 20 degrees, and 30 degrees and cutting speeds of 2.5, 7.5 and 12.5 cm/sec were used. Peak shearing force, shearing energy and surface damage of front and rear slices were measured. Regression equations were developed to relate individually peak shearing force, shearing energy, and surface damage for front and rear surfaces with the variables of temperature, block thickness, knife bevel angle and knife velocity. One set of equations was developed for shearing perpendicular to the muscle fiber and one set for shearing parallel to the muscle fiber. Blocks can be sheared but damage to the sheared piece is unacceptable except for 1.27 cm thick block sheared at -12.2 degrees C using a 10 degrees knife bevel angle. Thus, shearing does not appear to be a feasible method for cutting frozen fish blocks into fish portions, and fish sticks. An alternative approach should be tried for reducing the fish "sawdust" loss. Product development research could produce a salable product from the "sawdust."

PUBLICATIONS: 76/01 TO 80/09  
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THE EFFECTS OF DIET ON THE RISK OF CANCER

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Proj. No.: 5090-20913-003-G(1) Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: AFS Period: 07 SEP 79 To 31 DEC 81

OBJECTIVES: The study addresses the effects of diet on the risk of cancer.

APPROACH: Population group consuming diets low in protein but high in fat will be identified. A second group consuming diets low in protein but high in fat will be identified. A second group with diet high in protein from fish or poultry but not meat and low in fat will be identified. Seventy-two hour female dietary records and food, fecal and urine samples will be obtained. Analyses will be done on fecal and urinary estrogen and androgen levels, the concentration of cholesterol, the existence of mutagens in the feces. Procarcinogens will be incubated and the rate of formation of mutagens will be measured.

009.021 CRIS0067589  
FACTORS AFFECTING THE FUNCTIONAL PROPERTIES AND QUALITY OF PROCESSED MUSCLE FOODS

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Proj. No.: MICL01205 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 APR 75 To 01 APR 80

OBJECTIVES: Better understand the functional properties of muscle foods in processing systems, thereby improving product quality and allowing greater flexibility in the use of lower cost raw materials.

APPROACH: Muscle foods will be studied in model systems to compare their functional properties by studying water binding capacity, temperature stability and native physical and chemical properties; and functional systems to evaluate the properties which effect product quality, i.e., type of muscle protein, binding capacity, effect of additives, microbial changes, heat stability and fat levels.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Freshwater suckers (Catostomidae family), an underutilized species, were obtained from Lake Huron (Saginaw Bay, Michigan) to study the possibility of developing new products utilizing its flesh. Suckers were mechanically deboned, then blast frozen and stored at -29 degrees C. Minced sucker was analyzed for fat, protein and moisture content. The effects of storage at 3 degrees C for 7 days and -29 degrees C for 90 days on the solubility of myofibrillar and sarcoplasmic proteins as well as nonprotein nitrogen of sucker flesh were also studied. Results showed that suckers have a lower caloric content than do red meats or poultry and therefore are an ideal source of animal protein for use in low calorie diets. Solubility of myofibrillar proteins decreased by either refrigeration (3 degrees C) or freezer (-29 degrees C) storage, while sarcoplasmic proteins and nonprotein nitrogen were essentially unchanged by both storage methods. In comparisons between sodium chloride and sodium tripolyphosphate, sodium chloride increased protein solubility, while sodium tripolyphosphate appeared to be more beneficial. For example, it increases myosin solubility, pH, swelling and gel forming ability.

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MIREX FEEDING STUDY IN CHANNEL CATFISH (ICTALURUS PUNCTATUS)

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Proj. No.: MIS-0837 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 18 APR 79 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Determine the mathematical relationships between dietary intake of mirex and ferramicide and the resulting whole body residues. Determine time/dose response relationships between dietary intake of mirex and ferramicide and whole body residues, selected tissue residues, mortality, pathophysiology of certain organs, growth and collagen formation. Determine correlation between mirex and ferramicide whole-body residues with organ residues, pathophysiology of organs and mortality.

APPROACH: Fifty channel catfish will be maintained in each of 45 separate 200-L tanks. Body weights of fish in each tank will be made every two weeks throughout the experiments. In separate experiments, 8 levels of mirex and ferramicide will be administered in a defined synthetic diet. Each dose level will be fed to fish in 4 or 5 tanks for 52 weeks. Fish fed each dose level and appropriate controls will be sacrificed at prescribed intervals and appropriate samples collected for assay and histopathology. Pesticide levels in feed, water and fish scales will be analyzed at the National Monitoring and Residue Analysis Laboratory, USDA, Gulfport, Mississippi.



PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Forty-eight groups of fish in separate aquariums were fed purified mirex at levels of 0.01 - 32.0 ppm in a purified fish diet. Tissues collected at intervals up to 240 days were subjected to quantitative mirex analysis and histopathologic examinations. Growth rates and collagen assays were also determined. There were no histopathologic nor growth parameter changes that could be correlated with exposure rates of mirex. Results of mirex analysis indicated a direct correlation between total dietary intake and tissue residue levels. The kinetic and mathematical models have yet to be completed. The feeding segment of the project was terminated at 240 days (January 6, 1981) due to excessive mortality resulting from several outbreaks of *Aeromonas hydrophila* attributable to stress factors. Statistical analysis to determine if there is any time/dose relationship between dietary intake of mirex and morbidity or mortality is underway. The project will terminate in April 1981, at which time the objectives of this project will have been completed.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NC PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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DETECTION AND IDENTIFICATION OF MYCOTOXINS AND ALGAL TOXINS IN FOODS AND FEEDS

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Proj. No.: NB00205 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 20 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop and apply rapid methods for detecting and identifying fungal and algal toxins in foods and feeds, isolate, characterize, and identify toxic and carcinogenic substances produced by fungi and algae.

APPROACH: Microbial methods involving the use of *Bacillus subtilis*, *Chlorella pyrenoidosa*, *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, the brine shrimp *Artemia salina*, and mutants of *Salmonella typhimurium* will be applied for the detection of toxic and carcinogenic metabolites. Thin-layer or mini-column chromatography combined with fluorescence will be applied to the detection and identification of toxins. Toxicogenic fungi grown on food or feed sources, algal-contaminated foods, or algal blooms will be extracted and the toxins isolated by column or high pressure liquid chromatography. Gas-liquid chromatography and spectrometric methods will be used to characterize and identify the toxins.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A method for identifying the paralytic shellfish poisons (PSP's) present in crude shellfish extracts has been under investigation. The method consisted of absorbing the toxins on a strong cation exchange resin column and eluting the toxins with a series of buffers followed by strong acid. The column was monitored by oxidizing an aliquot of each fraction with hydrogen peroxide and measuring the resulting fluorescence. Most of the PSP's will fluoresce under these conditions. A separation of the *Gonyaulax tamarensis* toxin could be achieved, with the less basic gonyautoxins (GTX 2 and GTX 3) eluting first and the more basic saxitoxin (STX) eluting last. When crude extracts of the toxic blue-green alga *Aphanizomenon flos-aquae* were tested in this procedure, an early eluting fluorescence peak and a late peak corresponding in position to STX were observed. This is additional evidence that STX is also produced by a blue-green alga. The early eluting peak of *A. flos-aquae* was very labile to acid and therefore appeared to differ from the GTX 2 and GTX 3 type toxins. Experiments also indicated that considerable *A. flos-aquae* toxicity was present in non-fluorescent bands. Fluorescence profiles were also run on toxin samples obtained from scallops in Japan and extracts of toxic crabs from the southern island of Japan. The STX peak was observed in the crab extract, thus confirming the presence of STX. The procedure developed may be useful for identifying PSP's and for determining their origin.

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ROLE OF LIPIDS AND THEIR OXIDATION IN FISH QUALITY

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Proj. No.: NYC-143381 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 05 DEC 76 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Analyze the lipid components of fish. Elucidate the mechanism of lipid deterioration in fish and the interaction of the products of lipid oxidation with proteins.

APPROACH: Lipids are extracted and analyzed by established procedures. Oxidation is quantified by TBA and carbonyl generation. The interaction of carbonyls with protein will be measured by adsorption processes using vapor analyses.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The lipid and proximal composition of 15 species of freshwater fish was determined. The fish contained an average 78, 19, 1.1% moisture, protein and ash, respectively. The lipids ranged from 0.7 to 7.2% with species. Cholesterol averaged 70 mg/100 g fillet. The detailed fatty acid composition of 18 species was determined. The content of polyunsaturated acids varied between species. The effects of cooking (deep frying, pan frying) on the lipid content and composition of trout, bluegill and eel were determined. Uptake of frying oil was proportional to the surface area and lipid content of the fillets. Breaded fillets absorbed frying oil. Deep frying eluted cholesterol from the fillets. The role of phospholipids in releasing fatty acids was studied. It was shown that the lipid composition of dark and light muscles were different. Antioxidants limited the oxidation of fish lipids during storage. Fish tissue readily converts  $\omega$ -3 polyunsaturated fatty acids to corresponding prostaglandins. A new tetraenoic prostaglandin was discovered in fish gill tissue. This was synthesized from docosahexaenoic acid.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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ENZYMES IN FOOD FERMENTATIONS

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Proj. No.: NYC-143305 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 JUN 83

**OBJECTIVES:** The over all objective of this project is to improve the quality of fresh fish by controlling the growth of psychrotrophic microorganisms and insure that changes in processing and handling of fresh fish do not lead to other microbiologically undesirable effects. As part of this overall objective, the following specific objectives will be pursued in this project.

**APPROACH:** The microflora of commercial, iced fish and other commercial forms of fish will be examined. The organisms present will be enumerated with particular emphasis on *P. putrefaciens*. In addition, the presence of trimethylamine (TMA) will be monitored. Lipolytic and proteolytic activity will also be monitored. The results of the microbiological work will be correlated with the sensory evaluation of both the raw and cooked fish in order to determine the importance of various microbiological patterns on consumer acceptability of the food. Samples prepared specifically for shelf-life studies involving both gas and chemical treatments will also be evaluated by the various tests proposed.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Bacteriological analyses were performed on commercial milk samples subjected to consumer and trained taste panels as part of a comprehensive departmental project on milk quality. Methods used included the Standard Plate Count (SPC), Psychrotrophic Bacterial Count (PBC), Lab Pasteurization Count (IPC), and the Coliform Count. The potential application of a new rapid method to monitor microbiological quality, the pyruvate test, was evaluated. Recently, the research has begun to study key factors in determining the growth of psychrotrophic organisms in milk. The first series of experiments consisted of 24 samples tested fresh and 24 analyzed after holding at 7.5C to the sell-by date. The fresh samples averaged Standard Plate and psychrotrophic counts of 1,900 and 41, respectively, and the consumer panel scores indicated excellent milk quality. The samples held to sell-by dates ("aged" samples) had high Standard Plate and Psychrotrophic Counts: 13,000,000 and 11,000,000. The taste panels data indicate that the growth of psychrotrophic microorganisms in processed milk is a major factor limiting quality. The results also indicate that the pyruvate test values are influenced significantly by the growth of these organisms. In the second series of experiments, the rates of microbiological changes in milk samples from 30 N.Y. State plants were examined by testing after 1, 7, and 10 days. The average psychrotrophic counts were 15, 71,000, and 5,400,000, for the 1, 7, and 10 days samples, respectively.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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**POTENTIAL OF DIFFERENT UNDERUTILIZED SPECIES OF FISH FOR CONVENIENCE FOODS**

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Proj. No.: NYC-157380 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 DEC 78 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** To develop nutritious, palatable convenience and economical products from species of fish not explored in the past. To study the factors which affect water holding capacity of fish flesh which is extremely important in functionality, cook-out, texture, juiciness and flavor of new fish products. To study composition of the effect of bones in fish flesh on functionality, flavor and texture of further processed foods.

**APPROACH:** Product development will proceed according to the following plan: Brainstorming for ideas, developing new products, testing the product for optimum consumer satisfaction and storage studies. Five mechanisms will be studied for increasing water holding capacity: pH, ionic strength, specific ionic effects cleavage of actomyosin linkages and calcium

and magnesium binding. Hand deboned fillets, minced fish and fish bones will be studied by measuring variables such as pH, proximate analyses and representative functional properties.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Experiments on extending shelf life of red hake and salmon were conducted using potassium sorbate in a dip or in storage ice, and/or stored in Barrier Bags (cryovac) with modified atmospheres. Effective treatments were as follows: (1) All potassium sorbate treatments inhibited some TMA-producing bacteria; (2) CO(2) in modified atmospheres without ice at 20 or 60% was highly effective in extending shelf life of fresh fish. The greatest effect was obtained with a combination of 1% w/v potassium sorbate ice and an atmosphere of 60% CO(2), with refrigerated storage. Taste panel results indicated no off-flavors or off-odors attributable to treatment after storage of at least 4 weeks, after the fish was received at our lab. A study of the effects of different polyphosphates on the water binding properties of trout muscle showed differences in magnitude and in mechanisms by which the polyphosphates produced these changes. Hexameta- and glass-phosphates have a much greater potential for increasing water binding than pyro- or tripolyphosphate, mostly by a specific anion effect. In contrast, pyro- and tripolyphosphate increased water binding potential mostly through pH increases. Hexameta- and glass-phosphates were less effective for reducing expressible moisture than pyro- or tripolyphosphate, probably because of the inability of the longer chain polyphosphates to interact with the proteins.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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**COMPARATIVE STUDIES OF LOBSTER AND CHICKEN MUSCLE**

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Proj. No.: NYC-157310 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 SEP 78

**OBJECTIVES:** Further compare the filament regulatory proteins, (troponin and tropomyosin) of lobster; one of the few solely thin filament-regulated invertebrates, with chicken. Also compare lobster and chicken myosins.

**APPROACH:** Ca binding of regulatory proteins will be carefully characterized and quantitated by equilibrium dialysis binding and quantitative SDS gel electrophoresis. The effects of DIME on myosin ATPase activities and on SDS gels will also be investigated.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/09. The water holding capacity (WHC) of both rainbow trout (*Salmo gairdneri*) white muscle and lobster (*Homarus americanus*) tail muscle controls did not change as the muscle went from pre- to post-rigor. The trout muscle WHC values were similar to those of post-rigor chicken breast muscle and they did not change markedly with additions of sodium pyrophosphate (PP(i)), Mg, Ca or combinations of these. In contrast, the WHC of lobster muscle was more like the WHC of pre-rigor chicken breast muscle. The pre-rigor lobster muscle showed a large increase in WHC values with the addition of pyrophosphate (205% of control) but with the addition of Mg to the sample the increase was depressed (166% of control) and Ca addition even more markedly depressed the WHC (90% of control). In both cases, Mg and Ca seemed to have approximately the same effect on WHC whether PP(i) was present or not. Kena, on the other hand, increased the WHC of both pre- and post-rigor trout and lobster muscle. Ca seemed to negate the



increasing effect Kena had on WBC. No addition with Kena caused a large increase in the WBC of the pre-rigor lobster muscle; the WBC capacity with Kena alone was 123% of control while the WBC with Kena and Mg was 231% of control.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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EXTENDING THE SHELF-LIFE OF FISH

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Proj. No.: NYC-157381 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 81 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To improve the shelf-life of fresh fish particularly underutilized species by modified atmosphere (carbon dioxide), low temperature and/or additives such as potassium sorbate, so that they may be successfully shipped to inland and overseas destinations.

APPROACH: To improve the texture stability of frozen red hake and whiting (underutilized East Coast gadoids), particularly after mincing. Additives and heat treatments will be investigated. To determine if the trimethylamine oxide to dimethylamine and formaldehyde reaction is cold-activated or freeze-activated. To better understand the mechanism by which polyphosphates effect the water retention properties of fish flesh.

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FACTORS AFFECTING THE TEXTURE OF SEAFOODS

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Proj. No.: NC02111 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Investigate factors affecting the texture of products made from mechanically deboned fish tissue, collect texture data on several species and commercial handling procedures develop methods for improving texture, and develop products from N. C. coast species that have commercial potential.

APPROACH: Atlantic croaker and other species will be studied to determine the effect of harvesting, handling and processing conditions on protein denaturation and resulting poor texture. Major muscle proteins will be separated into sarcoplasmic protein and individual myofibrillar protein such as myosin and actin to study their roles in gel formation, water binding, etc. Enzyme activity during heating and resulting protein changes will be determined. Results will be applied to development or improvement of specific products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An alkaline protease found in mechanically deboned fish has been shown to be derived from both muscle tissue and visceral contamination and to cause texture breakdown during thermal processing of fish gels. Alkaline protease was partially purified from both muscle and liver tissue (both enzymes being cytoplasmic in nature and heat stable). The muscle protease is a sulphydryl protease and does not require  $Ca^{++}$  for its activity while the liver enzyme(s) is  $Ca^{++}$  activated. Several Atlantic fish species have been examined with respect to the textural properties of gels prepared from the washed and unwashed minces. Processing factors which affect the textural characteristics of fish gels include processing temperature/time, pressure, method of comminution, additives (sco, egg and whey albumins, various starches and hydrocolloids), method of forming, and frozen storage. Several simulated shellfish meats have been successfully fabricated based on washed mince (surimi) such as shrimp, clam strips and scallops. Work is processing to develop appropriate electrophoretic, isoelectric focusing and/or

immunoelectrophoretic techniques for the determination of species composition of minced fish and surimi blocks.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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009.030\* CRIS0075507  
DEVELOPMENT OF IMPROVED HANDLING, SHIPPING/STORAGE AND MARKETING PRACTICES FOR FISHERY PRODUCTS

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Proj. No.: NC02113 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 78 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Describe the factors which contribute to loss of quality in fresh and frozen raw seafoods, develop and test rapid methods of quality assessment and evaluate new handling, packaging, storage/shipment and marketing techniques for their potential in improving market life and quality of these products.

APPROACH: North Carolina seafood species will be studied to determine how handling, processing and storage methods may be imposed to minimize quality deterioration due to bacterial and autolytic processes. Gross and specific enzyme assays will be used to identify the source and mode of action of degradative enzyme systems. Various packaging and storage regimes, involving both refrigerator and freezer temperatures, will be tested in combination with various prestorage treatments (sanitizers, antioxidants, etc.) to improve market life of fishery products.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Freeze thaw handling as a means of merchandising prepackaged fish appears to be feasible from both a technical and marketing standpoint. Previous supermarket sales tests demonstrated the acceptability of chilled fish labeled "previously-frozen." Vacuum-packaged fish previously frozen for 100 days at -20 degrees C, thawed and held chilled were found to have a saleable life equal to that of fresh fish from the same lot stored chilled in an identical manner. Shelf-life studies of fresh and previously-frozen grey trout are continuing in order to evaluate modified atmosphere packaging, various predrips and thorough washing prior to packaging as means of extending the life. Analyses will include: changes in the microbial flora on the surface, changes in gas composition within the package. A second consumer test will compare sales of prepackaged (modified atmosphere) fresh and previously-frozen fish (so-labeled) with that of vacuum packaged frozen fish.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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IMPROVING THE ASSURANCE OF QUALITY AND SAFETY OF CONSUMER'S FOOD

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Proj. No.: PEN02010 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop procedures and programs to detect food-borne pathogens and to control them in the food supply. Develop procedures to identify food additives and to evaluate them for efficacy and safety before and after interaction with food. Develop procedures and programs to identify unintentional additives in the food supply and to determine their sources and potential health significance.

APPROACH: Seafood products and frozen convenience foods will be evaluated and the effect of heating on pathogens in these foods studied. Lysozyme holds potential as a new food preservative. Its effectiveness, especially its action on clostridial spores will be studied. Various foods, especially milk, will be monitored for pesticide and industrial chemical residues.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Decontamination studies were conducted in order to remove residues (up to 90 times the current FDA action level) of the organochlorine hydrocarbon insecticide mirex from brown trout. Various conventional heat treatments were not effective. Ultraviolet (24, 48, and 72 hours) and gamma irradiation (1, 3, and 5 Mrad) of macerated muscle tissue decreased the initial concentrations by 30, 43, and 46% and 10, 23 and 38 %, respectively.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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SENSORY & NUTRITIONAL EVALUATION OF SEAFOODS

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Proj. No.: RI00067 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 NOV 80 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Assess seafood quality using both objective and sensory methods. Determine the nutrient content as influenced by processing, preparation and storage. Study properties in food systems as influenced by processing, preparation and storage conditions. Use the information to develop new products from underutilized regional resources.

APPROACH: There is much work to be done with assessing seafood quality in terms of acceptability and nutritional values. Additionally, the effects of storage, cooking and processing on the parameters must be determined. An essential component of this work is the formation of a data bank. This is necessary in order to be able to store, organize and retrieve the large volumes of data that will be generated. Procedures include statistical differences and correlation. From this data, a characteristic edible profile and nutritional value of a species can be outlined.

009.033 CRIS0083412  
ENZYME DEVELOPMENT FOR SEAFOOD QUALITY

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Proj. No.: RI00022 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 23 JAN 81 TO 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: To develop a simple, rapid, visual test unit employing enzymatic tests for the assessment of fish quality.

APPROACH: An integrated series of tests will be created to assess component stability and determine the quality status of seafood for possible grading. The multitest unit will be evaluated in a series of stability trials on fish common to the waters of Southern New England.

009.034\* CRIS0073560  
THE QUALITY OF SEAFOOD CONSUMED BY THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Proj. No.: SC-X-PR-0001-BN-21 Project Type: GRANT  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 MAR 77 TO 01 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine mercury levels of Sea and Freshwater fish consumed by the people of South Carolina, determine the effect of fish species on the accumulation and distribution of mercury in their tissues, and compare levels of mercury found by geographic location and relate to environmental factors.

APPROACH: Determine the availability of knowledge on the quality of seafood consumed by the people of South Carolina. The fish samples will be collected from the Atlantic Coast of South Carolina for determination of mercury content. To accomplish this the state's coastline will be divided into 30 sections of ten miles apart. The fish samples will be frozen on dry ice and stored in a freezer. The fish tissue will be analyzed for mercury contents by flameless atomic absorption spectroscopy--Mercury Analyzer.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A survey of mercury and other toxic trace element residues in saltwater fish from the Atlantic Coast of South Carolina was conducted to see if the problem of the magnitude of toxic trace elements contamination was evident in the South Carolina Fishery. Samples of fish and shellfish from the Atlantic Coast of South Carolina were collected during 1978 and 1979. The fish collected were Spot, Whiting, Silver Snapper, Red Snapper, Flounder, Shrimp, Sea Bass, Squid, Grouper, Bluefish, Clam, Crab, Scallop, Speckled Trout, Croaker, Mullet, etc. The whole fresh fish were placed in plastic bags and frozen in a freezer. Triplicate samples of fish tissues were analyzed by wet digestion method. Sample flasks were incubated in reagent grade sulfuric acid and nitric acid mixture using a constant temperature shaking-water bath at 58 degrees C. Digests were analyzed using atomic absorption spectrophotometry procedures outlined by Hatch and Ott, and Uthe et al, as modified for use with a Perkin-Elmer, Coleman Mass-50 Mercury Analyzer and Flame atomic absorption spectrophotometer, Perkin-Elmer Model 306 and 5000. Thirteen trace metal elements were determined by atomic absorption spectrophotometry analysis of fish tissues. Trace elements determined were Mercury, Cadmium, Copper, Zinc, Arsenic, Lead, Iron, Magnesium, Chromium, Nickel, Aluminum, Manganese and Cobalt. A significant finding of this report are that larger fish had higher trace element contents than smaller fish of the same species.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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QUALITY FACTORS FOR FISH AND SHELLFISH STORAGE

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Proj. No.: TEX06031 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 74 TO 12 NOV 82

OBJECTIVES: To determine the yield after each processing step for both fresh and pre-frozen fish. To assess microbiological characteristics of minced flesh as influenced by species, processing steps and raw product quality. To determine chemical properties and frozen storage stability of minced flesh from different species. Freezing finfish. To determine composition of finfish as influenced by season, species, and area of catch. To establish optimum freezing rates and storage temperatures. To evaluate effectiveness of glazes, packaging methods and



materials, controlled atmospheres and antioxidants in extending frozen shelf life of Gulf of Mexico finfish.

**APPROACH:** Deboned fish flesh. Minced flesh from 6 to 8 different species will be produced. Analyze deboned flesh for total protein, fat, ash, moisture, fatty acid composition, total volatile nitrogen, malonaldehyde, soluble protein and pH. Number and types of microorganisms will be determined after each processing step. Using above chemical quality parameters, determine stability of frozen deboned flesh over one-year storage period. Freezing of finfish—Using chemical, microbiological and sensory evaluations, determine frozen storage stability of fish packaged five different ways. Evaluate effect of freezing rates and frozen storage temperatures by using different freezing techniques.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Composition, quality and stability during frozen storage of Gulf of Mexico finfish species were investigated. The fish, which were frozen both fresh and after five days on ice, included; spotted trout, black drum, tilefish, flounder, swordfish and red fish. Each species was frozen vacuum packed, in a carbon dioxide atmosphere, water-glazed, over-wrapped with PVC and over-wrapped dressed. All samples were held at two different temperatures during frozen storage. In every case tested, vacuum packed fish was shown to have superior frozen storage stability followed by dressed and glazed fish. For the lean white species (flounder, tilefish, trout and red fish) little difference between holding at -30 degrees C and -15 degrees C could be observed after one year of frozen storage. For the dark muscle fish however, a holding temperature of -30 degrees C was shown to be superior. Black drum developed rancidity early except for fish packed in vacuum. Swordfish also developed some rancidity however, the main problem with this species during frozen storage was shown to be loss in water holding capacity and subsequent bad texture. All other fish tested were of good quality even after one year of frozen storage. This study will help the Gulf Seafood industry develop frozen finfish products. Melanosis in shrimp is a major problem to the Texas shrimp industry.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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**PROCESSING QUALITY AND PACKAGING FACTORS WHICH AFFECT THE UTILIZATION OF FISH AND SHELLFISH**

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Proj. No.: TEX06242 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 30 MAY 79 TO 29 MAY 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate physical parameters that accelerate melanosis, determine precursors of melanosis and enzyme kinetics, evaluate potential inhibitors of melanosis, determine Na-bisulfite decomposition mechanism. Evaluate quality characteristics of fish in various gaseous atmospheres controlled initially and and "completely" during refrigerated storage, determine changes in gaseous composition in packages, evaluate spoilage parameters of fish in controlled atmospheres.

**APPROACH:** Factors related to handling on board will be evaluated, enzymes associated with melanosis will be extracted from shrimp, purified and their activities determined, potential inhibitors tested,

head space gases from sulfite treated shrimp will be analyzed. Fish packaged in six gas atmospheres stored at 0-2 and 5-8C for 18 days will be examined for sensory, biochemical and microbiological qualities, composition of gases in packages will be analyzed by gas chromatography.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Modified-atmosphere packaging (MAP) of fish using carbon dioxide was shown to be effective in inhibiting the growth of typical gram-negative spoilage organisms. Gram-positive organisms, especially lactobacilli, not normally associated with fish held on ice, were little affected by the modified atmospheres. This selective inhibition of the typical gram-negative spoilage organisms, together with the much slower growth rate of gram-positive organisms on fish, results in a significant extension of shelf-life when using CO(2) atmospheres. The seafood industry should benefit from the use of MAP systems with CO(2). The higher initial costs of packaging would certainly be compensated by savings on transportation and handling costs and, most of all, by a significant extension in the shelf-life of the product. Indole levels have recently been used by the Food and Drug Administration as an index of quality in fresh and frozen shrimp. The determination of indole, however, has been performed using sophisticated and expensive instrumentation prohibiting its use as a quality control tool in the seafood industry. A simple method where indole is extracted with light petroleum from trichloroacetic acid-precipitated shrimp muscle was developed. The extracted indole, soluble in light petroleum, is re-extracted with Ehrlich's reagent and indole in form of a rose indole complex can be determined spectrophotometrically. It is anticipated that this modified method may find its use as a much needed quality control tool in the seafood industry.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12

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**MICROBIOLOGICAL ASPECTS TO SHELLFISH SANITATION AND QUALITY**

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Proj. No.: TEX06054 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 07 JAN 74 TO 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the level and seasonal distribution of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* in freshly harvested oysters, clams and mussels. The effect of processing and handling procedures in wholesale and retail operations on *V. parahaemolyticus* also will be studied. Data on environmental and water characteristics will be used to examine possible relations between microbiological quality of seafoods and environmental characteristics.

**APPROACH:** Oysters, clams and mussels from Galveston Bay and waters and sediment from these areas will be examined for microbiological parameters (*V. parahaemolyticus*, coliforms, fecal coliforms, etc.).

**PROGRESS:** 74/01 TO 80/01. *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* is a potential pathogen transmitted to humans by consumption of contaminated seafoods. *V. parahaemolyticus* was present in low concentrations in about 60% of oysters, water and sediment of the Gulf of Mexico. No seasonal distribution of this organism was noted. There was no significant relationship between levels of *V. parahaemolyticus* and other bacteriological or environmental parameters. No increases in *V. parahaemolyticus* concentrations of seafood occurred when good processing practices were applied. Most seafood isolates of *V. parahaemolyticus*

belonged to serotype 05: K17 and differed from typical clinical isolates. Few were hemolytic (Kanagawa-positive). Kanagawa-positive and Kanagawa-negative strains of *V. parahaemolyticus* were examined for enterotoxigenicity, enteropathogenicity, drug resistance and plasmid DNA content. No significant relationship existed between cultural characteristics and indices of pathogenicity. Only 3 of 31 strains, all patient isolates, contained plasmid DNA with molecular weights of 24 or 60 million daltons.

PUBLICATIONS: 74/01 TO 80/01  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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LIPID METABOLISM IN AQUATIC ORGANISMS

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Proj. No.: TEX01926 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 71 To 31 MAY 81

OBJECTIVES: Characterize the fatty acyl lipids of various trophic levels in open waters in the proximity and under the Ross Ice Shelf. Evaluate the transfer of lipids through these trophic levels. Characterize the influence of a reduced degree of illumination on the polyunsaturated fatty acid content of the lipids of various trophic levels.

APPROACH: Various experiments are proposed to study the metabolism of lipids in aquatic organisms and its application to improve the quality of these aquatic products as human food. Various fatty acid mixtures will be fed to shrimp and the growth rate determined. Seasonal variations in the sterol composition of shrimp from the Gulf of Mexico will be characterized. Groups of *Tilapia aurea* will be fed different diets and the degree of fat production will be determined, and Marine invertebrates will be grown in the presence of inorganic selenium and the incorporation of the element will be followed. Furthermore, the selenium-compounds formed will be characterized.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 81/05. Studies were continued on basic and applied aspects of the metabolism of lipids (fats) and selenium in aquatic organisms. The sterols of Gulf of Mexico shrimp (white and brown shrimp) were analyzed) were 90 to 95% cholesterol plus small amounts (1 to 2% each) of other components. The level of cholesterol in shrimp muscle was about 1 g per 100 g. About 90% of the cholesterol was free, the rest being cholesterol esters. No major differences were detected between the two species of shrimp that were studied. *Tilapia aurea* is a freshwater fish that is becoming very popular among aquaculturists. Our studies on this advanced significantly when we were able to adapt recently developed methods to the isolation of *Tilapia* liver mitochondria. These studies will be subject of a future publication. Work on the physiological and toxicological effects of selenium in a algae continued vigorously. We are in the process of analyzing the selenium-containing gases (probably selenides) exhaled by various algae. Furthermore, we have analyzed the biochemical components of various algae after their exposure to selenium and found selenium in amino acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids in decreasing order. These and experiments with radiolabeled selenium indicate that selenium is incorporated into the algal cells and also that selenium as selenite is much better incorporated than selenium as selenate.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 81/05  
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CAGE CULTURE OF TILAPIA IN THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

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Proj. No.: VI00024 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Develop practical cage culture methods of tilapia fish production suitable to the freshwater resources of the Virgin Islands. Evaluate the acceptability of tilapia as a food fish by the local populace.

APPROACH: Various tilapia species and their hybrids will be evaluated under similar growing conditions for use in freshwater cage culture production systems. Imported commercial pelleted fish feed will be compared to themselves and other animal feeds for cage culture use. Feeds comprised of locally produced ingredients will be formulated and evaluated for tilapia culture in cages. Stocking densities, the use of sliding feeding-rate schedules, and the evaluation of monosex cultures obtained by mechanical grading or hand sexing of tilapia (separation of sexes by observing sexually dimorphic external characteristics.) will be investigated for fish production in cages under Virgin Islands pond conditions. Fish produced in cage culture research will be evaluated by taste panels and sold to the public. Acceptability of tilapia as a food fish will be evaluated by questionnaires and the actual marketability of the fish when compared to locally caught salt water species.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An experiment, presently in its twelfth month, was conducted to evaluate three commercial feeds, each of which was fed to caged tilapia according to three feeding rate schedules. The feeds were floating catfish pellets from Purina (#5140) and Sunshine Mills (Tupelo, MS) and sinking crumbles (Tilapia Finisher) from Central Soya (San Juan, PR). The protein content was 32% for Purina and Sunshine and 30% for Central Soya. The treatments were replicated three times with a stocking rate of 200 fish/m<sup>3</sup>. The feeding rate schedules were 3% of body weight throughout the experiment, 5% for 2 months followed by reductions to 4,3,2 and 1% at monthly intervals (time slide) and thereafter maintained at 1%, and 5% to a mean weight of 60 g followed by reductions to 3% up to 100 g, 2% up to 150 g and 1% up to harvest (weight slide). The fish were fed once per day, 6 days per week, for 270 feeding days. After 6 months, the Central Soya treatments were discontinued because feed was lost through the cage sides during feeding, resulting in low growth rates. Analysis of the data after 11 months indicates that more growth was obtained with Purina. Mean weights for Purina were 269 g (3%), 246 g (time slide) and 301 g (weight slide) compared to respective mean weights of 229, 220 and 225 g for Sunshine. The cage mesh, (6-mm Vexar) partially clogged with algae and prevented adequate water circulation, contributing to low dissolved oxygen levels and growth rates, which generally averaged less than 1 g/day.

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CIGUATERA FISH POISONING IN THE U.S. V.I.: BIOCHEMICAL, PHYSIOLOGICAL, AND MICROBIOLOGICAL STUDIES

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Proj. No.: VI00020 Project Type: BATCH  
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OBJECTIVES: Achieve a better understanding of the biology and chemistry of ciguatera. Develop a simple, reliable test for the ciguatera toxicity of fish. Determine the biological sources of toxin.

APPROACH: The nature of the Virgin Islands ciguatera will be determined and compared to that investigated in other areas. Ciguatera extracts will be tested whether it inhibits the growth of a variety of rapidly growing bacteria. The gut contents of toxic



and non-toxic fish will be examined for the presence of microorganisms that may be associated with ciguatera. The usefulness of immunological methods to detect ciguatera toxin will be determined. Suspect coral reef microorganisms will be grown on artificial media to determine if a ciguatera-like substance is produced. Efforts will be made to determine whether the toxin can be detected by immunological methods and also whether there is an alteration of blood or liver enzymes in ciguatera fish.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Two methods of purification for ciguatera extracts obtained from fish flesh previously implicated in human poisonings have been developed. The first method involves two-step thin-layer chromatography, TLC-I and TLC-II, which give, respectively, lethal doses (LD<sub>50</sub>) of 500 mg/kg and 10 to 100 mg/kg when tested in the mouse bioassay. The second technique employs silicic acid column chromatography (CC) and gives a LD<sub>50</sub> of 50 to 200 mg/kg. The second method (CC) is much less time and labor intensive than the first and provides comparable purification. Gambierdiscus toxicus is a dinoflagellate found in the tropical oceans of the world usually on or near coral reefs, often in association with various macroalgae. Extraction and bioassay of G. toxicus from field collections in the Virgin Islands and from unicellular cultures (provided by Southern Illinois University) suggests the presence of at least three toxic fractions; a chloroform soluble fraction (CTX), an acetone insoluble fraction (MTX), and an acetone soluble fraction (Other).

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ANALYSIS OF DOMESTIC FOOD DEMAND AND CONSUMPTION  
BEHAVIOR

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OBJECTIVES: Develop systems of behavioral relationships explaining consumer demand. Define and estimate parameters describing demand and consumption decisions with particular emphasis on food demand behavior and nutritional intake. Assess the implications of the findings from analytical and policy perspectives.

APPROACH: Demand and consumption models will be formulated which will permit incorporating more than price and income variables. Focus will be on identifying and measuring the impacts of major factors on demand behavior at various levels of the marketing channel and household demand and consumption behavior for selected meat, poultry, seafoods, cereals, and fruit and vegetable products. In particular, the effects non-food expenditures and food policies such as food stamps will be taken into consideration. Cross-sectional data such as HLS Consumer Expenditure Survey data and USDA Household Food Consumption Survey data will be analyzed in addition to various types of time series data for the selected food products. Analyses will utilize statistical and econometric methods such as analysis of variance, chi-square analyses, regression analyses, and systems of simultaneous equations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Analyses of consumer purchases of ground beef, steaks, roasts, pork, poultry, other meats, seafood, and food away from home indicated a dramatic decrease in the at-home consumption of beef, a slight decrease in the at-home consumption of other meats and in food consumed away from home, and a slight increase in the at-home consumption of pork, poultry, and seafood in the Northeast, Midwest, South, and West. A comparison of the S(1)-branch system and the constant elasticity of demand system (CEDS) indicated (1) the S(1)-branch system generated more reliable structural estimates, (2) the goodness-of-fit of the S(1)-branch system to the sample data was better than the goodness-of-fit of the CEDS, and (3) the predictive ability of the

S(1)-branch system to independent data samples was better than the predictive ability of the CEDS. The statistical theoretical framework of complete demand systems was summarized from an historical perspective, and several developments, usefulness, and estimation issues of complete demand systems were analyzed. Quantity data from the 1972-1974 HLS Consumer Expenditure Diary Survey were edited and prepared for use by researchers across the U.S. Errors and discrepancies with respect to socioeconomic and demographic factors and expenditures, quantity, packaging, price, and other variables were identified.

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POISONOUS DINOFLAGELLATES AND SHELLFISH POISONING

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Proj. No.: WIS02045 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 73 To 30 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Research objectives include: Culturing of poisonous dinoflagellates; isolation and characterization of new toxins; study of their chemistry and biochemistry of action; and study of their biosynthesis.

APPROACH: Organisms are cultured in large carboys, in natural and artificial seawater under constant illumination. Isolation involves a series of chromatographic steps including ion exchange, adsorption, and gel chromatography. New compounds are to be characterized by physical techniques (nuclear magnetic resonance and mass spectroscopy, especially) as well as chemical degradations. The toxins will be structurally modified to explore structure activity relationships.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. We have investigated the potent neurotoxins produced by species of marine dinoflagellates of the genus Gonyaulax. From laboratory cultures of a producing organism (G. excavata) as well as from toxin-contaminated shellfish (scallops, collected in the Bay of Fundy) we have isolated six toxins and characterized their structures. All compounds are structurally related to saxitoxin which we previously characterized. The six toxins are: saxitoxin, neo-saxitoxin (1-hydroxysaxitoxin), 11Alpha-hydroxysaxitoxin sulfate, 11Beta-hydroxysaxitoxin sulfate, 11Alpha-hydroxyneosaxitoxin 11-sulfate, and 11Beta-hydroxyneosaxitoxin 11-sulfate. The toxins accumulating in shellfish are the same as those produced by the dinoflagellate but occur in different relative abundance. A variety of chemical analogs of saxitoxin have been prepared and the affinity and binding specificity of the natural toxins and their chemical analogs for the sodium channel in nerve membranes has been investigated to obtain information on the structural features of the molecule which are important for toxin/channel interaction. The five-membered guanidine ring and the C-12-ketone function of these compounds were shown to be the most important features determining

binding affinity. From the dinoflagellate *Gymnodinium breve* (indigenous to the Gulf of Mexico, and responsible for massive fish kills there) we have isolated two ichthyotoxic compounds in pure form.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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IDENTIFICATION OF OFF-FLAVOR COMPOUND SOURCES FOR FISH AND WATER FROM THE UPPER WISCONSIN RIVER

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Proj. No.: WIS02520 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 15 AUG 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Identify the malodorous volatile constituents contributing to off-flavored fish and water from the Upper Wisconsin River at selected sites between Brokaw and DuBay Dam; attempt to identify sources of off-flavored compounds through matching of odor types and compound profiles.

APPROACH: A variety of fish will be obtained from Department of Natural Resources sampling crews. The fish will be processed into usual edible portions, and appropriate samples will be subjected to sensory analysis to locate species with notable levels of off-flavors. Subjective evaluation will be followed by suitable analyses for recovery of volatile malodorous compounds. Identity of offending compounds will be established through GC-MS and supporting techniques and contribution to off-odor and flavors will be established and subjectively. Matching of volatile profiles of water and fish will be attempted to locate sources of Compounds.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research has continued on the assessment of off-flavors in fish taken from several sites between Brokaw and DuBay Dam on the Wisconsin River. Data have been developed which show that seasonal effects may influence apparent flavors of walleye pike, and that these effects may be either natural environmental influences or a result of industrial activities along the river. Vacuum distillation methods for recovery of volatile flavor compounds have been applied, and samples are currently under analysis by combined gas chromatography-mass spectrometry. Sources of compounds identified in walleye pike appear to be the food chain, naturally occurring constituent reactions, environmentally-related natural compounds, and those from industrially-related activities on the river.

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## 10. Marketing and Economics

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THE STATUS AND RELATION OF THE COASTAL ZONE TO ALABAMA'S ECONOMY

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Proj. No.: ALA-01-0059 Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JAN 77 To 31 DEC 77

OBJECTIVES: Describe the scope of industrial activity in the coastal region of Alabama, with emphasis on the seafood industry. Major sectors of industries will be delineated and their interrelationships analyzed to estimate the contribution of each industry to economy of the coastal area and State. Determine economic and environmental impact of the Alabama seafood industry of total resources, other industries of coastal zone, and the State.

APPROACH: Appropriate primary and secondary data will be assimilated and analyzed. This will include descriptive and quantitative data. Based on the data, an input-output model will be constructed to determine the effects of various industries. Industrial and environmental considerations will be analyzed. Information will be useful to state and local area planners.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. A secondary data base of environmental input-output coefficients was constructed and combined with the economic input-output model developed during earlier stages of the project. Model analysis permits an evaluation of the environmental effects of each of the thirty sectors which were found to exist in the Alabama coastal economy. Manuscripts are being developed which will completely describe both the economic and environmental input-output models.

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FRESHWATER FOOD ANIMALS

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Proj. No.: ALA00630 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 FEB 71 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate economics of production, processing, and marketing of freshwater food animals. Develop and improve products and processing methods that will enhance marketability and insure quality of cultured freshwater food animals.

APPROACH: Mechanically deboned flesh from various fishes will be evaluated with regard to yield, quality, and storage stability. Waste from fish processing will be evaluated chemically and biologically, and technology will be developed for economic waste utilization. Methods will be tested for control of geosmin related off-flavor in pond raised fish. Costs and returns associated with production of food fish in various culture systems will be assessed. Identify and evaluate alternative marketing and distribution systems for fish with respect to market expansion, consumer reactions, and optimizing income to producers and processors.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. 59 collections of catfish processing waste (head, skin, viscera) from the major processing plants and representing production ponds from Ala., Miss. and Ark. were analyzed for a-BHC, heptachlor, DDE, DDT, Dieldrin, endrin and toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene. All samples contained toxaphene; the range was 0.06 to 3.6 mg/kg. DDE and DDT was found in most; the range of DDE was 0.01 to 0.56 mg/kg and the range of DDT was 0.01 to 0.58 mg/kg. None of the pesticide concentration in any sample exceeded the levels allowed in human foods, indicating the waste should be safe to use in commercial fish feeds. 35 off-flavored catfish collected from processing plants in Mississippi during April-June 1980 were evaluated by a trained sensory panel for quality and intensity of



off-flavor. Only six of the samples had the distinct geosmin flavor which was formerly thought to be the major off-flavor in pond raised catfish. The most prominent flavor was "fecal" (sewage or manure); other were "rancid", "paint", "dieel", and "algae". Extracts from each fish were sent to the Southern Regional Research Center (USDA - AR) for compound identification.

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CATFISH BREEDING, PRODUCTION, AND MARKETING

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Proj. No.: A8K00763 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 71 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop processing and marketing technology for the catfish industry.

APPROACH: Interviews with buyers and controlled in-store interviews with customers will be used to collect data on preference, usage, buying practices and other influential variables to provide the basis for evaluating the market potential for catfish products and marketing strategies.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The regional project did not have an economic component that was active this year. Minimum contact was maintained with State and Federal agencies regarding volume of production and marketing data. Some materials were furnished to the Cooperative Extension Service for their educational program.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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ECONOMICS OF AQUACULTURE

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-AEC-3107-MH Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 11 SEP 74 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Investigate the economic potential for commercial aquaculture. The long-range goal of this project focuses on the economic potential of species not presently identified as commercially productive in culture systems. The immediate focus will be on the northern (or New England) lobster *Homarus americanus*.

APPROACH: The investigation has two major components roughly parallel to economics of production potential and economics of market potential. The first relates to determining the "supply function" for lobsters from mariculture and will involve close liaison with other investigators studying the genetic, biological, and engineering potentials for culture. By necessity, the phase of the investigation will be a continuing one involving economic evaluation of experiments including perhaps recommendations for specific experimental designs, and ultimately economic evaluation and recommendations of proposed aquaculture systems. The second component, economics of market potential, has as its objectives the determination of economic feasibility and the assessment of the economic impact of the "new" industry.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Major work on this project included the updating of the lobster model to early 1980 conditions for an invited presentation to an FAO symposium in Norway. Major cost components increased were construction, energy, and indirect costs. It was shown that while that system costs increased by 75% from 1975 to early 1980, non-heat costs rose by a lesser amount (37%), and that commercial feasibility for systems using heated effluents seems near at hand collaborating recent power company interests and investments in Maine and in Southern California. Project will terminate in 1981. (80/Symp.:E/56).

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TOWARDS A THEORY OF THE REGULATED FISHERY

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Proj. No.: CA-D\*-ECL-3883 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 79 To 31 AUG 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop some new conceptual models of commercial fishing firms operating in a regulated fishery. The intended benefit will be a better understanding ex ante of the impact of various regulatory schemes on individual fishermen, of their reactions to such schemes, and of the reactions regulatory agencies in turn.

APPROACH: Combination of deductive conceptual modeling and empirical testing of the models. The first stage will involve capturing in as simple form as possible the nature of regulator-regulatee interactions and then deducing predictions. Then some regulatory case studies will be examined to verify or refute the hypotheses.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. This project is proceeding in two directions at present: extension of theoretical work done last year on behavioral models of fishermen decision-making, and testing of theories by investigating actual fisheries. The project remains an important issue for fisheries management--it is becoming increasingly necessary to forecast how fishermen will react to changing circumstances such as price and cost changes and regulation changes. Little work (theoretical or empirical) has been done on these issues. This year an agricultural economics graduate student at UCD is beginning dissertation work under my supervision extending some of the ideas developed thus far. We plan to spend time researching data availability in existing fisheries this summer.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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ECONOMICS OF PRODUCING AND MARKETING LONG ISLAND SOUND OYSTERS

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Proj. No.: CONS00466 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 75 To 31 JAN 79

OBJECTIVES: Project for the Long Island Sound oyster industry the impact of alternative regulatory and public investment policies on production, marketing, prices, employment, and industry profits.

APPROACH: Comparative budgeting will be used to estimate supply functions with alternative regulatory policies and levels of investment to improve public seed beds. A simultaneous equation model will be used to project the impact of alternative supply functions on price and quantity sold.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. Terminated January 31, 1979.

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010.007 CRIS0063026  
ECONOMIC BEHAVIOR OF FOOD AND FIBER FIRMS

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Proj. No.: FLA-AS-01621 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 72 TO 31 DEC 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop and maintain current technical and economic data relative to enterprises and firms producing and marketing selected agricultural and marine commodities. Evaluate alternative firm decisions for maximizing net income. Appraise economic effects of institutional arrangements and regulations on firm operations.

APPROACH: Sample surveys and cost studies to establish input-output relationships, enterprise profitability and firm efficiency. Develop and analyze economic models of firm structure and operation with varying technical, economic, institutional and legal arrangements and restrictions using simulation, linear programming and other EDP methods and procedures.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A formal decision model was constructed to determine the optimal time to replace an existing field of sugarcane. An analysis to evaluate the effects of producing sugarcane following rice production was completed. The economic feasibility of cancelling EOCB compounds in the Everglades Agricultural Area was evaluated. The energy input for celery production was computed for the Everglades and Central Florida. Developed a 1980 budget for field-corn production in the Everglades. Production, costs and returns data for Florida lobster fishermen were analyzed. The most profitable allocation of fishing effort between lobstering and stone crabbing by time of year or fishing season was determined. A biostatistical model was developed to analyze production of Gulf of Mexico reef fish. A profit maximizing dynamic linear programming model was developed to determine the optimal levels of field crop, forage and beef cattle enterprises in North and West Florida. The economic feasibility of on-farm grain storage and drying was evaluated. Collected and summarized data on grove care costs from grove caretakers in the Ridge and Indian River areas.

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ANALYSIS OF DOMESTIC FOOD DEMAND AND CONSUMPTION BEHAVIOR

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Proj. No.: FLA-AS-01843 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSKS Period: 01 JAN 77 TO 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop systems of behavioral relationships explaining consumer demand. Evaluate present systems for food demand analysis and evolve criteria for improving information systems.

APPROACH: Development and estimation of the necessary parameters for an analytical system of demand relationships with special emphasis on a detailed analysis of the food sector. It is proposed that a microeconomic empirical approach which makes use of both economic and psychological factors be taken. Assessment of present data systems as to their adequacy for analysis of food demand. Work associated with the second part of this objective will concentrate on the formulation and testing of new or improved data systems. Continuity of information is necessary in order that movements and trends in food demand may be measured in response to changing socioeconomic conditions and/or governmental policies.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. An econometric model relating household expenditures on fishery products to the household's socio economic and demographic characteristics was estimated with ELS data. Specific independent variables included in the Tobit model were food stamps, income expenditures away from home, race, urbanization, occupation, education and adult equivalent scales. A total of 85 equations were estimated by region and seafood group. Cross tabulations of mean consumption levels by independent variables were made. An econometric model of the wholesale and retail demand for frozen concentrated orange juice (FCOJ) and chilled orange juice (COJ) was estimated. The endogenous variables of the model are FOB, FCOJ inventory, FOB prices, domestic retail size FOB movement, bulk FOB movement retail prices of FCOJ and COJ and retail sales of FCOJ and COJ. Derived reduced form equations were estimated and used to perform several stimulation exercises. Differences between elasticities derived from structural and reduced form equations are distinguished. Long-run price elasticities of demand for frozen concentrated orange juice and chilled orange juice were estimated to be -0.777 and -1.136, respectively. Time varying parameter estimation procedures were used to estimate the demand for frozen concentrated orange juice (FCOJ), chilled orange juice (COJ) and canned single strength (CSS) orange juice.

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PRODUCTION ECONOMICS OF AQUACULTURE SPECIES IN HAWAII



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Proj. No.: HAW00479-B Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 MAY 81 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To determine current and experiment costs and returns for commercial production of catfish, oyster, mullet, marine shrimp and brine shrimp in Hawaii. To design a computerized budget generator for pond aquaculture in Hawaii.

APPROACH: This study will attempt to evaluate the profitability of the production of various aquaculture species in Hawaii for both intended fish farmers and policymakers. The cost and return method is used in this study. Data needed for analysis will be collected through personnel interview of producers and input suppliers. Sensitivity analysis will be conducted. Culture practices in other regions will be collected for reference.

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ECONOMICS OF FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT FOR  
THE HAWAIIAN ARCHIPELAGO

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Proj. No.: HAW00474-S Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine the economic feasibility of alternative possibilities for fisheries development in the Hawaiian Archipelago. Determine the economic and social benefits and costs of fisheries development in the Hawaiian Archipelago.

APPROACH: This study will attempt to establish potentials for both economic benefits and costs of fisheries development and the nature of the tradeoffs between economic benefits and social values. The working hypotheses is that fishery development can produce positive net benefits even with "adequate" allowance for protection of social values.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Work was completed on phase 1 of this project. A feasibility analysis of alternative paths of fisheries development was finalized using three classes of tuna (ahi) longliners as prototype vessels for planned development of the tuna resource. The high fuel requirements of the larger vessels appear to impose a major constraint on their profitability for long-distance operations. These findings will assist State planners to modify existing strategies for fisheries development in the Hawaiian archipelago.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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SYSTEMS ANALYSIS OF INTENSIVE AQUACULTURE: A CASE  
STUDY OF OYSTER PRODUCTION

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Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 NOV 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: The overall goal is to generate information which can be useful for improving on the economic efficiency of commercial oyster production in the State. Specific objectives are: Conduct a feasibility study which will examine biological, technical, and economic parameters in an intensive oyster production system, and develop and analyze alternative management strategies for the current species and system configuration.

APPROACH: A systems analytic approach will be followed in this study. A simulation model will be developed of the land-based oyster culture operations of the Kahuku Seafood Plantation. This simulation model will incorporate the relevant biological, technical, and economic parameters of the operating system. The model will be used in the feasibility study and analysis of alternative management strategies.

PROGRESS: 77/11 TO 80/08. This study assessed the feasibility of land-based oyster aquaculture for Hawaii and examined the constraints which are likely to affect the development of an industry. Conclusions were: small scale land-based oyster culture is technically feasible. Commercial production on a limited scale is being attempted in Hawaii, but as yet, without sustained outputs. Opportunities to realize further efficiency gains through economies of scale are limited. Emphasis is on developing new management techniques within existing scales. Various uncertainties make it difficult for conventional commercial lending sources to assess the viability of oyster aquaculture ventures. Therefore, scale expansion will probably not be forthcoming.

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IMPROVEMENT OF OGO PRODUCTION AND MARKETING IN HAWAII

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Proj. No.: HAW00688 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 24 APR 79 To 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Inventory the current OGO (Gracilaria) industry its problems and potentials. Identify and appraise the environments of potential production areas in Hawaii. Experimentally grow Gracilaria in those areas and seasonally determine its market values and growth rates. Adapt methods of algal farming used elsewhere to selected areas and develop recommendations for peat and fertilizer control, and marketing. Demonstrate adapted farming technologies and provide technical advice with the aim of inducing Gracilaria farming in USA.

APPROACH: Analyze the results of interviews with the people now active in the Gracilaria industry to appraise the industry in Hawaii and elsewhere. Survey the environments of potential farm sites in Hawaii to select the more favorable and enlist owner interest. Monitoring test plantings to yield growth rates and market quality during the seasons will permit selection among the sites. Adapt farming methods in use elsewhere for optimal production and market place at the selected sites. Demonstration plots at suitable sites, discussions with the nearby people, and technical help will be used to get farming initiated and stabilized.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The local Gracilaria fresh vegetable market shortage has continued. Curiously, quality and form variations have been found in the course of the seasonal study that seem to follow quickly upon changes in the environment. Thus, the correlated studies of the environments and growth rates are being continued and an experimental program added with additional appropriate measurements to elucidate the nature of these phenomena. Experiments to shorten the lag time observed in the harvesting methods used to date have been begun. These, in short, are primarily experimental harvesting by cutting off only certain of the longest more central branches of the thalli with the controls being the complete abbreviation of the thalli found to be the most favorable among the earlier harvest methods recommended as management practice. The work has been extended from Oahu to the island of Molokai under such staffing conditions that an equitable amount of effort may be spent on both as success in farming progresses. Interestingly, the Gracilaria species from Molokai are different both in form and gel nature from those on Oahu. This is hard to understand in view of the wide geographic distribution of the two principle species and so by transplanting

experiments explanations are being sought.

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PRELIMINARY COSTS OF CATFISH PROCESSING WASTE  
UTILIZATION

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Proj. No.: 7102-20530-002 Project Type: INHOUSE  
Agency ID: ARES Period: 06 OCT 78 TO 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Determine rates of waste production and  
compare the costs of disposal with alternate means of  
waste utilization for several large catfish  
processing plants. (TO-1).

APPROACH: Establish field contacts and visit several  
large processing plants in Arkansas, Mississippi,  
and Alabama to confirm how these processors dispose  
of their wastes. Obtain or estimate the costs of such  
disposal and obtain or estimate the rates of waste  
production. Prepare preliminary capital investment  
and processing costs for alternate methods of  
converting these wastes into usable products.

PROGRESS: 78/10 TO 79/09. Visits were made to three  
catfish processing plants in the Mississippi Delta  
and methods of waste disposal were evaluated in two  
of them. Offal collection, essentially the same in  
both plants, consists of automatically conveying the  
heads, viscera, and skin from the eviscerating table,  
skinner, and washer to a common discharge, where the  
mixture is screened from the wastewater and collected  
in a holding bin. The offal from one plant, 6 million  
lbs annually, is discharged in bulk into trucks that  
haul it in 20,000-lb. loads to a poultry rendering  
plant where it is blended in limited amounts with  
chicken waste to produce chicken feed. The renderer  
pay 1-2 cents/lb for the offal, which is about the  
cost to the processor for transporting it. The offal  
from the second plant, 4.5 million lbs. annually, is  
discharged into reusable 1500-2000-lb. capacity  
plastic containers, iced, and shipped, 20 containers  
per refrigerated trailer truck, to a cat food  
processor. The cat food processor pays 4 1/2 cents/lb.  
for the offal at destination, which covers all  
expenses to the catfish processor (labor, ice,  
stationary refrigeration of trailer truck during  
2-day loading period, and transport costs) and 1/2  
cent/lb. profit. A rendering plant of the poultry  
type is under construction at the third catfish  
processing plant visited, to which admission was not  
gained.

PUBLICATIONS: 78/10 TO 79/09

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AN ECONOMIC EVALUATION OF ICE FISHING IN MAINE

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Proj. No.: ME08292 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 79 TO 30 SEP 82

OBJECTIVES: Determine economic value of recreational  
ice fishing. Determine angler attitudes and  
preferences towards various fresh water species,  
recreational settings, ice fishing regulations.  
Determine the socioeconomic characteristics of ice  
fishermen and effect of these characteristics and  
attitudes on demand for and value of ice fishing  
activities. To estimate the demand for and value of  
ice fishing using published methodologies.

APPROACH: Primary data collected via mail  
questionnaire from a sample of 5000 people who  
purchased fishing licenses in 1978. Socioeconomic  
data collected and analyzed. Attitudes and  
preferences of fishermen concerning ice fishing  
regulations and species studied. Demand for and/or  
value of ice fishing estimated using several

approaches that have been suggested by other  
researchers. Methods and estimates of value will be  
compared for consistency and restrictions of  
assumptions required to use the different methods.  
Traditional distance zone travel cost, individual  
travel cost and contingent valuation are three of  
methods to be used to estimate value of ice fishing.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A mail questionnaire was  
designed and utilized to collect primary data. A  
response rate of about 35% was obtained from the  
sample of almost 5,000 residents who purchased  
angling licenses in 1978. Analysis of the data  
indicates that about 42% of the respondents ice  
fished at least once during the last two seasons and  
about 31% ice fished during the 1979-80 season.  
Statistically significant differences exist between  
open-water and ice fishermen and their preferences.  
For example, motivations for fishing, the type of  
site preferred and the composition of the fishing  
party varied among the two categories of fishermen.  
Significant differences also exist with respect to  
age, occupation, sex, attitudes toward selected  
fishing regulations and the current residence of ice  
and open-water fishermen. Income and education levels  
are not statistically different. The economic value  
of ice fishing in Maine was also estimated using  
three different methods: a travel cost model, a  
contingent valuation approach and unit day values.  
Preliminary results indicate that the values obtained  
from the three methods are highly variable and are  
not comparable. This suggests that the value obtained  
for a recreational activity or facility may depend on  
the procedure used to estimate value. Additional work  
is required on the valuation models before they are  
reported.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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Fishing in Maine. M.S. Thesis, 110 pp. University  
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ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE 200-MILE LIMIT ON RURAL  
NORTHEASTERN COASTAL COMMUNITIES

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Agency ID: CSSES Period: 01 OCT 79 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the economic impacts of extended  
fisheries jurisdiction on coastal communities with  
particular reference to opportunities for industrial  
and employment expansion. Evaluate the degree to  
which expansion and growth of the offshore fishing  
industry will be able to absorb labor and capital  
from declining inshore fisheries.

APPROACH: The objectives will be met by determining  
amount of changes in labor and capital employed in  
recreational and commercial fishing in the future and  
the likelihood that any excess labor and capital can  
be absorbed in the offshore industry. Three steps  
will be undertaken: Determining the extent,  
persistence and causes for declining production in  
inshore commercial and sport fisheries; Predicting  
employment and income from inshore fisheries;  
Assessing the likelihood of expansion in the offshore  
commercial and recreational fisheries and the ability  
of the expansion to absorb displaced inshore labor  
and capital.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The project has progressed  
in the following areas: 1) conceptual issues in  
determining variation in inshore commercial seafood  
production, 2) examining the likelihood that  
increases will occur in offshore fisheries, 3)  
examining input-output and regional models to  
determine their usefulness in impact analysis, and 4)  
collecting and assembling data for use in regional  
models. With regard to, a model has been developed to  
estimate socioeconomic parameters for fisheries. It  
requires only data on catch and effort. Initial  
testing of the model has been done for Maryland Blue  
Crabs. One fishery, offshore surf clams, have been  
studied to determine how much, if any, additional



effort will be forthcoming. 3) and 4) Sportfishing data from North Carolina to Maine for 1979 has been assembled and processed. It will likely be linked to a regional model to determine impacts of various fisheries policy changes.

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#### 010.016\* CFIS0073525 ECONOMICS OF BIVALVE MOLLUSK AQUACULTURE IN NEW ENGLAND

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Proj. No.: MAS00415 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 77 To 30 OCT 80

OBJECTIVES: Construct biological response models; specify alternative plausible technical alternatives; combine biological and engineering components into production models; conduct marketing and demand analyses to determine marketing costs, price and income elasticities and gross revenues for different output levels; combine production and marketing analyses to determine economic feasibility of different systems at different individual plant scales and aggregate levels of output.

APPROACH: Generate a data base, develop cost of production estimates and provide subsystem modeling support in cooperation with Texas A&M University. Modify Texas A&M computer program to fit local conditions.

PROGRESS: 77/10 TO 80/10. Two activities have been carried out on cooperative projects supported by NOAA-Office of Sea Grant. In cooperation with Texas A and M University. Data for the aquaculture budget generator were provided by a survey of shellfish aquaculturalists in New England and by the economic-engineering analysis of three synthetic model plants. As the budget generator becomes operational locally, it will enable the marine advisory service to provide detailed cost information to existing and prospective aquaculturalists. The economic-engineering analysis indicated that it was possible to produce 60g (85 mm) oysters at 1979 costs which ranged from \$18.50 in the lowest cost system to \$34.50 per bushel in the highest cost system. By comparison prices received for high-quality half-shell oysters were \$33.75 per bushel in 1979. Most operating oyster-producers had costs of at least \$37.50 per bushel, due to the experimental nature of their operations. In cooperation with Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution: A computer program has been written based on the lobster aquaculture program of the University of California, Davis. The new program contains features not found in any other bioeconomic simulator and in a variable planning horizon framework it includes both start up and operation sequences for either identical or nonidentical seasonal conditions for single, repeated batch or continuous batch operation.

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#### 010.017 CFIS0071802 THE IMPACT OF THE 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE ON RURAL NEW ENGLAND COASTAL COMMUNITIES

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Proj. No.: MAS00387 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 76 To 30 SEP 79

OBJECTIVES: Construct bioeconomic models, determine ports which will support expanded fleets and landings; project sustained yields into processing and marketing; determine impact on rural development of rural coastal communities, including the number of industry related jobs, increases in coastal populations, and the necessity for additional local community investments.

APPROACH: Determine appropriate species and through econometric models identify yield functions and cost functions to determine a cost equation which would permit formulation of a management strategy. Then identification of processing and marketing networks will determine impact on the onshore investments and by using input-output methodology we will estimate population, employment, income, tax and town expenditures.

PROGRESS: 78/10 TO 79/10. Mathematical models of (1) demand for fish and (2) control theory for fishery biological systems were completed and published. The models provide a basis for more informed decisions about management of the New England fisheries under the Fishery Management and Conservation Act. The demand analyses indicated that price flexibilities are less than one for cod, haddock, flounder, and sea scallops. This suggests that these fish are unlike most farm food products because management policies to decrease landings in order to rebuild stocks would have the effect of decreasing fishermen's gross revenues. Boston auction prices were found instrumental in determining Gloucester and New Bedford prices. The daily auction at Boston occurs earlier than in New Bedford, while in Gloucester direct negotiation between fisherman and processor determines price. The stochastic control theory models were applied to the sea scallop fishery. Expected values of profits from these models were higher than for deterministic models. The main value of the research was in the methodology developed as an aid to future decision processes.

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#### 010.018 CFIS0078986 ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE 200-MILE LIMIT ON RURAL NORTHEASTERN COASTAL COMMUNITIES

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Proj. No.: MAS00464 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JAN 79 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the economic impacts of extended fisheries jurisdiction on coastal communities with particular reference to opportunities for industrial and employment expansion.

**APPROACH:** The general conceptual framework to be used for attaining objective (1) will be that of benefit cost analysis. All economic benefits are classified as either direct or indirect. The direct benefits can be measured conceptually by producer or consumer surpluses. The quantitative methods which will be used for measurement of direct benefits include statistical methods, especially regression analysis, and syothetic methods including budgeting, mathematical programming and optimal control. The participating faculty each have experience in application of one and, in some cases, several of these methods (e.g. Albhelle, Storey and Conrad, 1977; Gates and Norton, 1974; Dunham and Mueller, 1976).

**PROGRESS:** 79/10 TO 80/09. Work has continued on identification and development of bio-economic models which will permit projections of offshore harvesting volumes in New England and which will enable comparisons of the economic impacts of alteroative policy scenarios.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/10 TO 80/09  
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**FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE ECONOMICS RESEARCH IN THE GREAT LAKES**

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Proj. No.: MICL01304H Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 02 MAR 78 To 01 MAR 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Assess the primary benefits received by fish and wildlife resource users; estimate how benefits change when resources change; estimate the economic impacts of this resource use; estimate other related benefits, costs and impacts.

**APPROACH:** Recreatiool values estimated by constructing a simulation model of demand and supply of each variety of recreation (characterized by certain site-related attributes). Varieties identified by examining travel patterns. Demand for each is a function of the availability (price) of several varieties. Model can estimate value of adding, subtracting or changing sites statewide. Commercial values estimated by either estimating total demand and supply or by various bioeconomic modeling techniques. Bioeconomics can also be used to improve recreation models. Initial investigations will study Great Lakes and anadromous sport and commercial fishing. Studies will estimate sport vs commercial fishing tradeoffs and value changes caused by fish mortality from power plants.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. A study of fish impingement and entrainment at Consumers Power Company's Whiting generating plant on Lake Erie showed that the plant reduced the adult yellow perch population by about 1.7%. Related studies showed that the recreational value lost because of the reduction in perch population was about \$25,000 per year. Results of the study are currently central to a contested hearing between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Consumers regarding appropriate evaluation of losses and mitigation amounts. A study of angling demand and supply resulted in a simulation model which has been used to estimate fisheries values for several practical purposes. Management programs of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Great Lakes Fishery Commission have been evaluated. A study of commercial fisheries population dynamics showed that the "surplus production model" does poorly in describing most of Michigan's commercial fish populations. An Anglers Guide to Michigan's Great Lakes was written and published as a commercial publication by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. A model state law for commercial fisheries was written and is in the process of being published. It is expected to form the basis for a new Michigan statute, and it may influence laws in other states or provinces. Work was begun on a study of Great Lakes boating demand and supply, and economic impact. Data has been collected and is in the process of being analyzed for preliminary results.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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010.020 CRIS0007202  
**NEW METHOD OF APPRAISING NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS**

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Proj. No.: MICL006689 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 25 OCT 61 To 07 JAN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Review and analyze world food resources in relation to population demands and assess the role of food waste as well as increased utilization of marine resources in meeting world and regional needs.

**APPROACH:** Studies will be continued in this area and also in editing a 10-volume Encyclopedia of Food Science (partially supported by a grant from John C. Wiley).

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. During 1980 studies were concentrated on defining and establishing more accurately on one hand the role of key animal food items (meat, milk and eggs) in the overall pattern of continents, regions and countries, as well as their utilization patterns, both in absolute and relative terms. This resulted in major revisions of the traditional notions as to the nutritive role of respective commodities such as beef, pork, milk, cheese, eggs, etc. When moving to aquatic protein this analysis renders an entirely new insight into the relative role of protein from agricultural as contrasted to aquatical sources. Fish averages have been computed in tilled land counterparts and, thus, new insights were gained into the true role of aquatic food as contrasted to agricultural contributions, in several instances revising prevailing notions in this regard. Through this quite new insights were furthermore obtained into the historical role of freshwater and ocean catches as to human feeding, frequently thereby revising traditional beliefs. In a similar manner detailed analyses have been expanded to many other key food categories such as cereals, pulses, tubers and 'empty calories' (fats and oils), evaluated as to C/N ratio and protein standing. Finally the global protein balance has been reviewed taking into account the specific effects of trade, in several instances comparable to that of long distance fishing. This material is now being reworked to be placed in books under preparation.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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**MARKET POTENTIAL AND CURRENT MARKETING PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES OF THE CATFISH FOR FOOD INDUSTRY**

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Proj. No.: MIS-0841 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 79 To 31 DEC 81



**OBJECTIVES:** Determine and describe the structural and operational characteristics and the procurement and marketing practices of the U.S. Catfish for Food processing industry; determine and describe the geographic distribution, operational characteristics and procurement and marketing practices of the food broker, wholesaler, distributor and chain grocery firms handling catfish for food products; and estimate the market potential for catfish for food within the current market area and within the current market structure.

**APPROACH:** In depth interviews with marketing and management personnel from processing food broker, wholesaler, distributor and chain grocery firms handling catfish for food will be conducted. In addition, interviews will be conducted with managers of a representative sample of catfish for food producer firms. Also, interviews will be conducted with a representative sample of retail firms handling domestically produced catfish for food. Volume of domestically produced catfish sold per store customer from the sample stores will be used to estimate potential volume that could be sold in the current market area.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. A catfish marketing study designed to ascertain structural and organizational characteristics of the catfish processor and wholesaler industries and develop preliminary estimate of market potential was initiated. The data from catfish processors and wholesalers has been collected via an extensive survey and the summarization and the analysis of that data is nearing completion. Work is underway to develop preliminary indications of market potential.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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010.022\* CEIS0073179  
**ANALYSIS OF THE MARKET POTENTIAL FOR FRESH WATER  
AQUACULTURAL PRODUCTS PRODUCED IN NEVADA**

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Proj. No.: NEV00270 Project Type: BATCE  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 77 TO 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the cost and availability of byproduct food stuffs for feeding catfish and shrimp in Nevada. Estimate the demand for catfish, shrimp and plants produced in fresh water ponds. Estimate the marketing margins for fresh water products and estimate marketing constraints placed on fresh water products by the institutional trade.

**APPROACH:** Availability and costs will be estimated for byproduct feeds which prove feasible as shrimp and catfish food in a large scale pilot production study. Nevada brokerage firms, and if necessary California processing firms, will be surveyed to ascertain the possibility of marketing live shrimp. These firms will also be interviewed to determine existing marketing margins for different types of products handled by these firms. A similar procedure will be followed for catfish and freshwater plants that might be complementary to shrimp and catfish.

**PROGRESS:** 77/01 TO 80/09. Budgetary analysis of production costs of freshwater shrimp produced in 10 one-acre plots reflect a cost of \$2.23 per lb. live weight at production levels experienced in the experiment. (About 2,000 lbs. per acre.) Increased feeding levels and other management practices could possibly raise production to 3,000 lbs. or even 4,000 lbs. per acre. Production costs for these levels were estimated to be \$1.60 and \$1.31 per lb., respectively. Four marketing alternatives were considered: Whole live, whole fresh, fresh; headless and frozen headless. Processing costs for the first two alternatives were negligible, but both headless process required substantial capital investment and operating costs. Costs for processing 20,000 lbs. of live shrimp were \$7.79 for fresh headless and \$7.91 for frozen headless. Thus, at current production levels, total cost of producing fresh headless shrimp would be \$12.15 per lbs. Even doubling the production

level to 40,000 lb. would only reduce the total cost per lb. of product to \$6.53--well above the current wholesale price of \$4.50. Production of live or fresh whole fresh-water shrimp does appear to be a viable pursuit for persons with a source of hot water providing they can develop a ready market for the product.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 77/01 TO 80/09  
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010.023\* CEIS0083202  
**REARING BAIT FISH IN WESTERN NEVADA**

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Proj. No.: NEV00388 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 78 TO 01 OCT 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the supply and demand for bait fish used in western Nevada waters. Develop techniques for culture of native minnows acceptable for use in these waters. Encourage development of private commercial operations for raising and selling the suitable species of bait fish.

**APPROACH:** Collection of adult fish will be made from local waters and a captive population established in the laboratory. Artificial and natural spawnings will be attempted. Egg and fry development stages will be identified and food preferences determined. Growth rates will be determined.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Adult Lahontan Tui Chubs, *Siphateles bicolor oboeus*, obtained from Walker Lake, Nevada were successfully spawned both artificially and naturally. Spawning material made of Spanish Moss was a satisfactory egg substrate although the development of fungus on some eggs was a common problem. About 50% of chubs fed trout meal and screened brine shrimp flakes for the first 21 days survived. After 21 days mortality was minimal for chubs fed live brine shrimp naupliae. Survival of newly hatched fish raised in a semi-natural pond environment and not fed appeared to be as good as those raised in troughs and fed artificial diets.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 80/01 TO 80/12  
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**ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE 200-MILE LIMIT ON RURAL  
NORTHEASTERN COASTAL COMMUNITIES**

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UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE.  
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Proj. No.: NB00265 Project Type: BATCE  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 03 JAN 80 TO 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate the economic impacts of extended fisheries jurisdiction on coastal communities with particular reference to opportunities for industrial and employment expansion.

**APPROACH:** The general conceptual framework will be benefit/cost analysis. Quantitative measures to be used include regression analysis, mathematical modeling and control methods. Data on current volume and industry capacity will be secured from completed and current studies of the fisheries industry. Survey methods will be used to determine managers' intentions with respect to expansion, location, marketing, etc., with the intent to develop a dynamic disequilibrium model of the American lobster fisheries which has the capacity to evaluate the economic impact of the managers' decisions.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. This project has produced deterministic projections of American lobster (*Homarus*) (*Americanus*) harvest, value and effort through 1999. Landings, which were 33.5 million pounds in 1979, are predicted to decline to 24.7

millinn pounds in 1999, a 26% decline. Real prices are predicted to rise 79% over this period. Effort, which is measured by the number of pots fished, are projected to increase 37%. Real revenue per pot is expected to fall 13%. Stochastic projections of harvest have also been produced; these indicate that little absolute confidence may be placed on the point predictions. Harvest and value projections under varying levels of fishing effort have been produced. The economic welfare consequences of varying the level of imports of lobster from Canada has been simulated. The qualitative conclusions which emerge from these exercises are not startling and include: a) restricting effort rewards both the industry and the consuming public, b) an increase in imports rewards the consuming public and penalizes the industry.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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**ECONOMIC DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW JERSEY COMMERCIAL FISHING INDUSTRY**

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Proj. No.: NJ02430

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 80 To 30 JUN 81

**OBJECTIVES:** Inventory and analyze economic conditions in the commercial fishing industry in New Jersey with a specific focus on landings, vessels, docking and processing facilities, and employment and income generated within the industry. Identify current problems and needs of the commercial fishing industry and evaluate critical areas for future research.

**APPROACH:** Develop and overview of the commercial fishing industry, four areas of concentration were defined: Commercial landings of fish at NJ ports; commercial fishing vessels registered to and owned by NJ residents; docking and processing facilities located in the state; and employment and income generated within the industry. Data from various secondary sources, personal interviews with fishermen, facility operators, and personnel from banks and local, state and federal governments will be used to describe and classify the various sectors of the industry. This information will also be used to identify the various sectors of the industry. This information will also be used to identify current problems and needs of the industry, evaluate critical areas for future research and identify gaps in existing data and potential sources of new data.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Efforts on the first objective of developing an overview of the commercial fishing industry in New Jersey have focused collection and analysis of secondary data. The data time series data on the following types of information has been collated and preliminary analysis has been performed: quantity and value of annual landings in New Jersey ports by major species, county and type of gear; quantity and value of monthly landings by county; number and type of fishing gear, fishing craft and fishermen employed; number of and employment in wholesale establishments; number of, employment in and value of production of processing establishments; number and value of production of canned and industrial fishery product plants; and levels of various fishery price indices. Detailed primary data on port, processing and wholesaling facilities has been collected by the Center of Coastal and Environmental Studies at Rutgers and will be available to the researchers shortly. Various problems and needs of the N.J. commercial fishing industry have been reviewed and one, the economic interrelationships between this industry and related sectors, has been singled out for further study. A research proposal has been developed and submitted to the National Sea Grant Office for funding.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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CRIS0078981

**HUMAN ECOLOGY OF NEW JERSEY FISHERIES**

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Proj. No.: NJ26501

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 79 To 30 APR 82

**OBJECTIVES:** Document the nature of the fisheries of Ocean and Monmouth Counties, N.J., providing data needed for fisheries management plans and for state government involvement in fisheries development. Generate and test hypotheses about the role of fisheries cooperatives in the state in helping fishermen manage both market and natural environmental relations. Provide a format through which fishermen and other members of the industry of university and governmental help desired.

**APPROACH:** The methods to be used are those of anthropology: informal and formal interviews with fishermen on the docks, in their homes, and on their boats. Data will be arranged on forms their results will be analyzed.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. Anthropological field interviewing and observations were completed in two commercial fishing communities, continued in a third, and begun in a fourth and fifth; archival and oral-historical research was undertaken. The findings have clarified the role of the producers' cooperatives in helping members mitigate certain economic problems inherent in the fresh-fish marketing system of the region. The cooperatives mimic government systems of limited entry and quota controls. The potentials and limits to regional cooperation among the cooperatives have also become clear. The findings also reveal great cultural as well as economic and technological changes in the fisheries over the past century, as illustrated by the industrialization of the menhaden fishing industry and the concomitant loss of the acceptability of menhaden as direct human food. Finally, an attempt to account for the persistent violation of fisheries laws led to recognition of the importance of social and political history, as well as economics and ecology, in generating behavioral and cultural patterns. This finding has redirected our efforts toward depiction of fisheries legislation as "social legislation," with markedly different costs and benefits for different social/technological groups. It also appears that the technology and economics of different fishery types plus a "culture of the commons" are more useful, for policy purposes, than ethnicity and other descriptors of the culture of commercial fishermen.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12

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MCCAY, E.J. In Press. Optimal Foragers or Political Actors: Ecological Analyses of a New Jersey Fishery. Amer. Ethnol.  
MCCAY, E.J. In Press. Menhaden as Food and Fertilizer: A Footnote to the Social History of New Jersey's Fisheries. New Jersey History.

010.027

CRIS0081479

**ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE 200-MILE LIMIT ON RURAL NORTHEASTERN COASTAL COMMUNITIES**

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Proj. No.: NYC-121508

Project Type: HATCH

Agency ID: CSRS Period: 03 MAR 80 To 30 SEP 83

**OBJECTIVES:** Evaluate the economic impacts of extended fisheries jurisdiction on coastal communities with particular reference to opportunities for industrial and employment expansion. Evaluate the degree to which expansion and growth of the offshore fishing industry will be able to absorb labor and capital from declining inshore fisheries.



APPROACH: Seafood processors will be surveyed to determine source of raw product inputs and market destination for processed output. Investment plans on Long Island will be examined within a regional context to determine economic viability. The Long Island finfishery will be studied to determine those vessel/gear/species combinations which will support future fleet expansion and absorb excess capacity from inshore fisheries.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. The theory of multiproduct production has been reviewed as well as the associated econometric techniques for the direct estimation of product transformation functions or the dual cost function. Seafood processing firms, which typically employ several inputs to transform finfish or shellfish into two or more final products, will be surveyed for data which will allow estimation of elasticities of substitution and transformation as well as economies of scale. These elasticity parameters will, in turn, allow estimation of the impacts of input and output price changes on the level of processing activity and employment within rural fishing communities.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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010.028 CEIS0082905  
MANAGEMENT OF A MULTIPLE COHORT FISHERY: THE HARD CLAM RESOURCES IN GREAT SOUTH BAY

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Proj. No.: NYC-121384 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 APR 80 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Develop a multiple cohort bioeconomic model; apply that model to the hard clam resource of Great South Bay to determine optimal harvest and age distribution. Compare optimal harvests and age distribution to current harvest and estimates of standing stock and suggest policies for moving the resource toward the optimal age structure.

APPROACH: Construction a dynamic optimization model of a reasonably general form. Specify particular functional forms. Identify bioeconomic parameters from literature and data on the hard clam (Mercenaria, Mercenaria). Solve dynamic optimization problem for study-state equilibrium harvest and age structure.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A general model of a multiple cohort (year, class) fishery was developed. Management rules and equations describing a steady-state optimum were derived from a discrete time control problem which maximized the present value of net revenues subject to spawning and recruitment constraints. Biological and economic information was collected on the hard clam fishery in Great South Bay on Long Island, New York. This information will be used to identify optimal cohort stocks and yields, and to make recommendations on resource management.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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COSTS AND RETURNS IN THE OTTER TRAWL FLEET ON LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK

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Proj. No.: NYC-121383 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 23 JUL 80 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Identify fixed and variable cost elements for alternative vessel classes in the Long Island trawler fleet and determine those investments and procedures capable of significant cost savings. Determine expected catch functions for major finfish species by alternative vessel class. Identify static, declining and expanding fisheries and simulate the profitability of a select set of vessel/gear/species

combinations.

APPROACH: Analysis of NMFS trip data on catch, area fished, ex-vessel price and operating cost. Develop probability distributions for catch of a particular species in a particular area and for ex-vessel price received by fishermen. Develop a stochastic simulation model to predict costs and returns per trip.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A stochastic model has been developed to simulate costs and returns for commercial trawler vessels. A questionnaire was developed and pretested on seven fishermen from Shinnecock and Mattituck inlets on Long Island, New York.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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MANAGEMENT ECONOMICS OF NEW YORK'S MARINE INDUSTRIES

CONRAD J M; AGRI ECONOMICS; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-121385 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 SEP 80 TO 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: To study the industries engaged in harvesting, processing, and marketing of fish shellfish. Develop research programs to improve the management of firms within seafood related industries. To evaluate resource management programs and their impact on marine industries in New York State.

APPROACH: Collection and analysis of available secondary data on the harvesting, processing, and marketing of fish and shellfish in New York City and Long Island. Develop models to simulate financial returns within the otter trawl fleet on Eastern Long Island. This will entail a stochastic simulation model which characterizes trip costs, fixed costs, and probability distributions for catch and price. Multi-input/multi-output production function analysis will be applied to the seafood processing sector. Bioeconomic modeling of the hard clam (Mercenaria mercenaria) in Great South Bay will pool existing biological data on growth, mortality, and fecundity, with economic data on costs and returns to determine optimal age structure and sustainable yield from each cohort (or year class).

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Research has focused on the identification of (1) the major commercial fisheries in New York's marine district, (2) the trends in the amount and value of landings, and (3) the analysis of current and alternative management strategies and their impact on the industry.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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010.031 CEIS0084032  
AN ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF THE ATLANTIC COAST STRIPED BASS FISHERY

CONRAD J M; AGRI ECONOMICS; CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK. 14853.  
Proj. No.: NYC-121339 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 MAR 81 TO 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: To analyze the direct and induced impacts of expenditures by commercial and sport fishermen seeking striped bass. To determine the value (net benefits) from programs or policies designed to increase the stock of striped bass.

APPROACH: Estimate the expenditures made by alternative classes of sport and commercial fishermen as well as the value added as the product moves through the various marketing channels to the

consumer. These expenditures will be introduced into a regional econometric model which will estimate total, (direct plus induced), dollar impacts. A bioeconomic model including both sport and commercial effort will be constructed where the willingness-to-pay on the part of sport fishermen, and the harvest cost of commercial fisherman are stock dependent. By varying the stock across biologically feasible limits we can assess the value of programs designed to increase striped bass populations.

010.032 CRIS0067638  
DEVELOPMENT OF A FISH MARKETING PROGRAM

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Proj. No.: NYC-121381 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 APR 75 To 30 SEP 81

OBJECTIVES: Study the current economic situation in fin fish, shell fish, and fish product marketing and identify specific and important problems capable of treatment through marketing research.

APPROACH: Publications dealing with fin fish, shell fish, and fish product marketing will be reviewed. Discussions will be held with researchers at institutions which have had programs in fish marketing. Conferences will be held with leading fish industry participants; facilities and operations which they manage will be observed.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Results of limited test marketing of five new minced fish/seafood products indicate the probability of commercial success. However, unit sales of each new product relative to volumes of similar or closely competing items in the test stores were influenced by low prices for the test products. If the hypothesized low acquisition cost of the principal marine ingredient in these products proved to be elusive, the encouraging test sales results would have to be reexamined. Survey interviews with selected wholesalers of fresh and frozen seafood in New York City's Fulton Fish Market yielded information about characteristics of the market and certain practices of its sellers. An estimated 70 wholesale enterprises operate in the market, about 20 percent fewer than 10 years ago. Most operate as corporations. Somewhat more than half of them handle only fresh product. Nearly as many offer both fresh and frozen. Less than 10 percent specialize in frozen product. The majority of wholesalers specialize in finfish (58 percent). The next largest group offers finfish and shell fish (30 percent) and the smallest number specialize in shell fish (12 percent). An average of 30 species of finfish and 8 species of shell fish are offered by each firm. The great majority of wholesalers carry product harvested by Long Island fishers. Less than 10 percent engage in foreign trade. More firms import than export product. A final publication is in preparation.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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GOODRICH JR., D.C. and WHITAKER, D.H. 1980. Retail Market Tests of Canned Minced Fish. A.E. Res. 80-5. Dept. of Agr. Econ., Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N.Y. 6 pp.

010.033 CRIS0067224  
THE IMPACT OF SALMONID INTRODUCTIONS ON NEW YORK FISHERMEN AND COMMUNITIES

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Proj. No.: NYC-147381 Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 75 To 31 DEC 76

OBJECTIVES: Provide data on use and economic impact of salmonid fishing in New York. Provide a recreation facilities and services inventory of the Salmon River corridor, and identify areas of unmet recreation service demand.

APPROACH: Assist N.Y.S.D.E.C. in development of creel census methodology and computer analysis of census data. Gather economic impact data from businesses in the Salmon River corridor. Analyze state-wide fishing survey to determine current interest in salmon fishing.

PROGRESS: 79/01 TO 79/12. A study of riparian owners along New York's Great Lakes tributaries showed that the posting rate of private properties was similar to that for the rest of New York (42%). Two-thirds of the landowners studied would not sell a fishing easement to the State if requested to, primarily due to the "in perpetuity" clause of the easement rather than the price offered. Other options which would not foreclose upon future use of the property seemed more viable for increasing recreational fishing access. For example, 60% of these riparian landowners indicated a willingness to post "Fishing by Permission Only" signs if such signs were made available to them.

PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12

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SCHUMAN, S.P., BROWN, T.L. and EUTENEIER, W.W. 1979. The Roles of Research and Extension Education in the Developing Lake Ontario Salmonid Fishery. Fisheries 4(3):6-8.

010.034 CRIS0078493  
APPLICATION OF MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES TO THE MID-ATLANTIC EXTENDED JURISDICTION RECREATIONAL FISHERIES

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Proj. No.: NYC-147329 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JAN 79 To 10 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Determine the recreation management strategies applicable to the Mid-Atlantic extended jurisdiction recreational fisheries. Identify advantages and disadvantages of each strategy. Determine the attitudes of the managers, fishermen and Council members to the suggested strategies and the impacts on them and the fishery.

APPROACH: Review the literature on recreational strategies. Develop criteria to evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of each strategy and their impact on the fishery. Survey the managers, fishermen and Council members to determine the acceptability of the alternate strategies.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Under the Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976 the Regional Fishery Management Councils must develop plans for managing each fishery in the 3-200 mile offshore zone. In the second year of this study over 1,300 marine recreational anglers using the 3-200 mile offshore zone were interviewed during May through October to determine their reasons for fishing and their reactions to four promising management options (regulations) identified in the first year of the study. The survey was conducted in New York and Virginia in conjunction with the National Marine Fisheries Service's national 1980 Marine Recreational Fishery Survey. The data from these two surveys are being analyzed for publication in 1981.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
DAWSON, C.P. and WILKINS, B.T. 1980. Social Considerations Associated with Marine Recreational Fisheries Management. Marine Fisheries Review 42(12):12-17.



010.035\* CRIS0079845  
FEASIBILITY OF CAGED FISH CULTURE IN NORTH CENTRAL  
OKLAHOMA FARM PONDS

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Proj. No.: OKLX-5085-15-5 Project Type: 1890/T  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 OCT 79 To 30 SEP 84

OBJECTIVES: Study production and cost of caged fish in small ponds in Central Oklahoma, investigate and test the feasibility of caged fish in a normal farm or ranch operation.

APPROACH: Channel catfish will be grown in cages and fed pellets containing 30-35% protein, and Tilapia will be grown in cages and fed pellets containing 25-30% protein. Oxygen and temperature will be measured daily at feeding time to develop a profile as if they relate to growth. Record as to marketing and home consumptions and and cost will be kept to determine return on investment.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. Cage culture appears to be economically feasible in small (less than 2.0 ha) farm ponds and has potential for generating a small additional source of income (estimated to be \$744.00/ha) and/or producing low cost food for the farm family. Ponds that are clear (depth of visibility greater than 1.0 m) and shallow (depth less than 1.0 m over half of the pond) should probably not be used for cage fish culture unless aquatic vegetation control is implemented. Channel catfish fingerlings should be 150 to 200 mm in total length when stocked if a large proportion of marketable size fish are to be produced in one year in Oklahoma. Tilapia appear to stimulate channel catfish feeding and therefore increase production. The optimum ratio appears to be a very high ratio of catfish to tilapia. The optimum density of fish per cage appears to be about 400 fish per cubic meter with an anticipated harvest weight of 0.45 kg.

PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12  
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010.036 CRIS0084107  
AN ECONOMIC EVALUATION OF THE RECREATIONAL SALMON  
FISHING IN THE KENAI/RUSSIAN RIVER REGION

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STATE UNIVERSITY, CORVALLIS, OREGON. 97331.  
Proj. No.: OIB-FR-159-B Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: OCI Period: 01 NOV 80 To 01 NOV 81

OBJECTIVES: Develop theoretical model for estimation of outdoor recreation demand to be applied to Salmon sport fishing. Estimate the magnitude and distribution of salmon sport fishing on Kenai and Russian Rivers. Estimate the economic demand for, and net economic value of, recreational Salmon fishing on Kenai and Russian Rivers.

APPROACH: Fishermen will be contacted personally and then a follow-up mailed survey will be sent to obtain information enabling the estimation of their effort, location, distance travelled, time spent fishing, success, etc. The methodology developed will then be used to estimate the demand for and net economic value of sport fishing in these two rivers.

010.037 CRIS0074229  
AN ANALYSIS OF NEW ENGLAND FISHERIES INVESTMENT  
BEHAVIOR

ROCKSTAELE N E; RESOURCE ECONOMICS; UNIVERSITY OF  
RHODE ISLAND, KINGSTON, RHODE ISLAND. 02881.  
Proj. No.: RI00154 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 17 OCT 77 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Develop and extend current methodology for analyzing fishery investment behavior and estimate empirical relations of New England fishing firms' investment. The results will be used to assess the likely behavior of domestic fishermen under different scenarios regarding extended jurisdiction.

APPROACH: Multinomial logit analysis will be used to estimate the likelihood that an individual facing a set of discrete alternatives will choose a particular alternative as a function of the characteristics of the alternatives and the characteristics (e.g. socioeconomic) of the individual.

PROGRESS: 77/10 TO 80/09. A sequential multinomial logit model was developed to model fishery investment decision making, relating the probability of choosing different investment alternatives to the expected revenues and costs associated with these options. A two stage decision on optimal fishery of participation and optimal capital stock was estimated and was modified to reflect the fact that fishermen may systematically prefer one type of operation over another even when returns are equal. The model predicted well but indicated substantial inertia on the part of fishermen. A more successful specification of the model reflected fishermen's adverse reaction to risk. The model's value is the ability to predict participation rates and fleet composition in various fisheries. The implications for management are important. Regulations aimed at restricting effort will be self defeating if they reduce uncertainty and are not coupled with entry limitations. Additionally, large incentives must be provided to encourage fishermen to enter underutilized fisheries in order to overcome both inertia and the high level of uncertainty in these fisheries. Results suggest that information and training aimed at lowering the resistance to new fisheries has a potentially higher return to management than increasing direct economic incentives in these underutilized fisheries

PUBLICATIONS: 77/10 TO 80/09  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

010.038\* CRIS0065044  
ECONOMICS OF SALMONID AQUACULTURE IN NEW ENGLAND

GATES J M; RESOURCE ECONOMICS; UNIVERSITY OF RHODE  
ISLAND, KINGSTON, RHODE ISLAND. 02881.  
Proj. No.: RI00144 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 74 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: Compile and evaluate cost data associated with construction and operation of the system to determine capital requirements and production costs. evaluate potential economic gains for vertical integration in production (hatching-smolt production and grow out) systems as compared to separate or non-integrated systems. Project capital requirements and cost conditions to establish economically feasible commercial size operations and evaluate economics of integrated management of a joint commercial/sport fishery program based on a hatchery release program.

APPROACH: Study will be in 2 phases; economics of a pilot aquaculture system utilizing water re-use techniques would be analyzed. This would provide a firm data base for cost parameters; analysis of management measures for an integrated commercial/sport fishery program. Once capital requirements and production costs for the integrated system are known and evaluation will be made of the integrated and non-integrated system to determine any economic gains associated with each respective system. For analysis the integrated system will be broken down into two operations: hatching and smolt production; grow out. Capital requirements and production costs associated with each operation will be evaluated and projected to establish economically feasible full scale commercial operations.

PROGRESS: 80/01 TO 80/12. A polyperiodic or dynamic linear programming model was used which includes the age/size class structure of fish stocks. It also includes size specific "treatment" effects (such as thermal controls) on growth rates. It also includes optimum marketing and product possibilities. Decisions optimized over time include (1) the number of fish of each size to be cultured, (2) the temperature(s) at which to culture them, (3) the number of fish of each size to be harvested, (4) the size dependent products to produce, and (5) the number of recruits to purchase. The model was applied to Atlantic salmon and to salmon culture in a water reuse system. Marginal returns to risk ranged from 5 to 237% depending on species, discount rate, and the sensitivity analysis assumptions. The marginal return to risk is after all costs, including the opportunity cost of capital (varied from 10% to 30%). It is a measure of pure profit or return to marginal risks associated with the enterprise.

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010.039 CRIS0083321  
ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE 200-MILE LIMIT ON RURAL  
NORTHEASTERN COASTAL COMMUNITIES

GATES J W; RESOURCE ECONOMICS; UNIVERSITY OF RHODE  
ISLAND, KINGSTON, RHODE ISLAND. 02881.  
Proj. No.: RI00157 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 19 FEB 81 To 30 SEP 83

OBJECTIVES: Evaluate the degree to which expansion and growth of the offshore fishing industry will be able to absorb labor and capital from declining inshore fisheries.

APPROACH: The otter trawl fleet of New England will be studied. The fleet will be stratified by vessel size and possibly by port and for each strata a representative vessel or firm will be modelled. NMFS data on catch statistics by area, gear, season and financial records will be used. A linear programming model of each representative vessel will be constructed based on alternative objective functions such as maximum annual gross stock, maximum annual return to captain and maximum return to vessel owner. A systematic procedure (linear programming) will be developed by which rational foreign fee schedules could be approximated for such species as squid, whiting, mackerel, other hakes and butterfish inclusive of associated by-catches.

010.040 CRIS0071965  
SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND ECONOMIC IMPACT PROJECT

GRAGALUNAS T A; RESOURCE ECONOMICS; UNIVERSITY OF  
RHODE ISLAND, KINGSTON, RHODE ISLAND. 02881.  
Proj. No.: RI00152 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 20 DEC 76 To 30 SEP 80

OBJECTIVES: The level, composition & distribution of population & economic activity in the Southern New England Marine Region (SNEMR) have changed considerably since the last major socio-economic review of the region was reported (1967). Several major marine-related developments have been proposed for the near future. Examine the economic structure & importance of marine-oriented activities in the SNEMR; develop an economic framework, based on an interindustry or input-output approach which traces dollar flows of inputs & outputs among economic sectors of the economy; to assess the major economic and socio-economic changes that have taken place since 1976.

APPROACH: A questionnaire will be used to cover intermediate transactions with all marine sectors within the SNEMR & with "all other sectors"; sales by each sector to find demand within the region; net exports. Secondary data sources will be used also.

PROGRESS: 76/12 TO 80/09. The purpose of this project was to develop an input-output model which could be used to estimate the economic impacts of proposed marine-related policies or developments on the Southern New England Marine Region. Data from 390 interviews with marine establishments and from secondary sources were used to construct an input-output table with 20 industries. The marine industries in the model cover five categories of activity: commercial fishing, tourism, manufacturing, marine military, and research and education. The results indicate that in 1976, marine activity accounted for about \$4 billion of output and over 65,000 workers, with shipbuilding being the largest single employer. In the first phase, Type I and Type II output and income multipliers were estimated for each industry. Type I multipliers ranged from 6.1 to 1.07 and Type II from 8.6 to 1.51. Employment multipliers were estimated in the second phase of the study and ranged from 1.07 to 4.8 for the Type I and from 1.48 to 9.8 for the Type II multipliers. Those individuals concerned with developing policies for use of the ocean (e.g., the formulation of fisheries management plans) or for evaluating proposed developments often want to know the likely impact of the policy or development on the regional economy. The results of this study provide a tool which can be used to assess regional economic effects of marine-related decisions.

PUBLICATIONS: 76/12 TO 80/09  
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EFFECTS OF THE TAX REFORM ACT OF 1976 ON NEW ENGLAND  
VESSEL OWNERS AND CREW

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Proj. No.: RI00138 Project Type: STATE  
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OBJECTIVES: The economic impact of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 on vessel owners and crew for different size vessels and different lays for the five coastal New England states will be determined. The confusion that exists in regard to interpretation and compliance with the Act will be studied and also the significance of the changes in the Capital Construction Fund by the Tax Reform Act.

APPROACH: Information will be obtained from the Internal Revenue Service, The Social Security Administration, and the Financial Assistance Division of the National Marine Fisheries Service. Primary data will be obtained from a sample of New England vessel owners, stratified by crew size, lay onboard and home state.

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ECONOMIC ANALYSES OF FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ISSUES  
ARISING FROM EXTENDED JURISDICTION OF NEW ENGLAND

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Proj. No.: RI00136 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 JUL 75 To 30 JUN 82

OBJECTIVES: Develop methodologies useful for the analysis of policy issues arising from extended jurisdiction; provide information for U.S. policy decisions regarding the management of foreign effort in New England fisheries; estimate the investment response of the New England fishing industry to alternative foreign effort management schemes; provide guidance as to informational needs for improved fisheries management decisions; provide



estimate of the benefits and costs of alternative management strategies and the distribution of these benefits and costs between producers and consumers.

**APPROACH:** Analytical models of New England fisheries will be developed to provide the bases for evaluations of alternative management strategies. Econometric techniques will be utilized for the estimation of the parameters of the models and optimization techniques including dynamic programming and discrete time optimal control programming will be used to obtain policy implications for U.S. fisheries management off New England.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. This project was intended to support research designed to develop and apply economic methodologies useful for assessing the management of domestic fisheries under the Fisheries Management and Conservation Act of 1976 (FCMA). Several conceptual papers have been published or are under review dealing with welfare theory issues as applied to fisheries management problems. The work in these papers, e.g., the evaluation of consumer surplus in a multi-market framework, can be extended to many problems in resource economics. The project also has resulted in numerous research papers, publications and theses analyzing the market structure of the fishing industry; international competition and subsidies; the demand for groundfish; and public policy issues arising from the enactment of the FCMA. Individual publications have been listed in prior progress reports. There has been a change in personnel and a change in the issues of interest to researchers and public officials. Therefore this project is being terminated.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/01 TO 79/12  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

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**AN ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF DECISION MAKING AND POLICY FORMULATION**

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Proj. No.: RI00160 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 AUG 80 TO 30 SEP 82

**OBJECTIVES:** To evaluate policy formulation processes developed by Regional Fisheries Management Councils (RFMC) and recommended to the Department of Commerce (DOC) as mandated by the Fisheries Conservation and Management Act (FCMA). Hypotheses to be tested are the more complex the fishery, the greater the informational needs and decision-making costs for the councils; the more complex the fishery, the narrower the range of informational concerns the RFMC can have; the greater the reliance on mutual-partisan-adjustment, the greater the amount of information on economic, social, and ecological issues which will be forthcoming; the more councils rely on mutual-partisan-adjustment the greater the delay in implementing the management plan; the greater the delay in implementing plan, the greater the decision costs for the DOC; the greater the potential for such costs, the higher the probability of conflict between the RFMC and the DCC.

**APPROACH:** Specialists in marine affairs, economics, ecology, and public administration will gather test data from six RFMC's, to study approaches to optimum yield, fishery complexity, information availability, weighting of decision factors.

010.044 CRIS0059426  
**ECONOMICS OF THE COMMERCIAL FISH INDUSTRY**

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Proj. No.: TEX01866 Project Type: BATCH

Agency ID: CSRS

Period: 30 MAR 71 TO 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** For major fish and shellfish species. Establish production and processing requirements. Evaluate economic feasibility of alternative management programs. Estimate impact of environmental change. Evaluate the structure, performance and potential of the marketing sector.

**APPROACH:** Using breakeven analysis, minimum levels of production or processing required for alternative investment levels will be identified. An optimum resource mix in production and processing activities will be defined by marginal analysis. Large increments of increased investment and economic feasibility of experimental practices will be evaluated by budgetary analysis. A model will be developed to evaluate the feasibility of adopting new technology, determine economies of size and estimate the impact of specific changes in model variables. Questionnaires and surveys will be used to evaluate marketing aspects of major fish and shellfish species.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. The general purpose of this study is to initiate and perform economic evaluations relative to production, processing and marketing activities involving selected major fish and shellfish species which are found in the waters within and adjacent to Texas. A simulation model of the pink shrimp fishery was completed and proposed policy alternatives by the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council were evaluated. Utilizing an economic welfare framework, almost every alternative appeared inferior to the simulation reflecting the status quo. The only exception was the simulation which attempted to maximize annual rent. Results of the study were utilized in the shrimp management plan. Closure of the Texas spring season was evaluated using an econometric model which resulted in a short run gain of \$10 million to gulf shrimpers at a cost of up to one million dollars to bay shrimpers. A study of the variation in dockside prices among ports in Texas was completed and results indicate a significant difference among ports depending on the type of pricing mechanisms used. A pack-out system with a telephone auction reported prices may be 10% higher than in other ports which use a box weight method.

**PUBLICATIONS:** 79/01 TO 79/12

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**ECONOMICS OF THE COMMERCIAL FISH INDUSTRY**

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Proj. No.: TEX06404 Project Type: BATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 17 JUL 79 TO 16 JUL 83

**OBJECTIVES:** For major fish and shellfish species, establish production and processing resource requirements, evaluate economic feasibility of alternative management programs, estimate economic effect on production and marketing of regulatory or biological environment, and evaluate structure, performance and potential of the marketing sector.

**APPROACH:** Budget will be constructed on an annual basis allowing breakeven analysis to determine minimum level of production and investment. Case studies and systems analysis will be employed to conduct problem oriented research for production, processing and marketing. Economic feasibility of management programs and methods for employing nontraditional species will be established by budgetary analysis. Economic response of output per vessel will be evaluated utilizing price elasticities of demand and budgetary analysis. Initial analysis of the marketing phase of commercial fish industry will be to differentiate and examine distribution channels of selected fish and fish products.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. A bio-engineering-model computer was developed that incorporates three water quality parameters into growth of shrimp: salinity, temperature and dissolved oxygen. Cost and return budgets were developed for bay boats in Texas. A decision not to fish or being excluded for some other reason from the spring season would cost the bay fisherman slightly less than \$2000 per boat. A mathematical model representing the movement and survival of white shrimp (*Litopenaeus setiferus*) in Galveston Bay was developed. A mathematical model representing the growth, movement and survival of brown shrimp (*Penaeus aztecus*) in Galveston Bay was developed. A simulation model was adapted to the Texas shrimp fishery and used to evaluate economic impacts of management policies for the Texas shrimp fishery and the conflict between users. Closing the offshore of Texas and landing all shrimp has an estimated net economic benefit to shrimping of \$20.29 million. Landing increased by 8.61 million pounds, culls reduced by 6.6 million pounds, and full time craft equivalence increase 280. The monthly demand by size of shrimp, within the range of data, is highly inflexible and demand for large shrimp is very high relative to other sizes. The following microcomputer programs on firm decision-making are now available to vessel owners: Motor vehicle cost analysis; Vessel cost analysis; Vessel fuel cost analysis; Marine loan analysis; Advances program; and Decision to fish analysis.

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ASSESSMENT OF COASTAL RECREATION RESOURCES

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Proj. No.: TEX06073 Project Type: EATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 24 JUL 75 To 30 AUG 85

**OBJECTIVES:** To establish the extent, nature and distribution of coastal recreation participation by regional and statewide populations. To describe coastal recreation participants on the basis of their socio-economic characteristics, boat equipment, reasons for participation and levels of satisfaction. To identify the economic impacts generated by coastal recreation participants on regional economics and to develop a series of management case studies which may be useful in recognizing and reconciling coastal use

conflicts.

**APPROACH:** Two area wide surveys of the boat fishing population will be made to collect the needed data. One survey will focus on the 7 county Houston-Galveston-Texas City SMSA while the other will be statewide. A pretest will be conducted prior to each survey. Data collected will be analyzed using the SPSS and SAS programs available at the TAMU data processing center. Resource management implications of the collected data will be developed in a series of managerial case studies.

**PROGRESS:** 80/01 TO 80/12. In late 1979 we began a two year study of the statewide distribution of saltwater boat fishermen and their fishing and socio-economic characteristics with supplemental funding from the TAMU Sea Grant Program. In early 1980 a pilot study was conducted to validate the methodology and survey instrument. Using a screening phone interview and subsequent mail questionnaire with a stratified sample (coastal and non-coastal) of boat fishermen, our response rate was 74%. Pretest findings revealed that over 2/3 of the coastal boatowners used their boats for fishing in the past year. Of those coastal boatowners that fished, over half fished freshwater only. Slightly more than 47% of the coastal boat fishermen fished in Texas' bays or in offshore waters. Thirty-three percent of the sampled 455 coastal boatowners were saltwater fishermen. Fishermen were not as prevalent in the inland strata of owners. Although 60% of the inland boatowners used their boat to fish within the past year, less than 7% fished saltwater. Statewide, we found that 63% of all boat owners used their boats for fishery purposes while only 14% used their boats to fish in saltwater. Based on the pretest we made some modifications in an instrumentation. For the main wave of the study, we made 5,500 phone calls to locate 1,264 saltwater fishermen. Of these 859 or 68% responded to our mail questionnaire.

#### **PUBLICATIONS: 80/01 TO 80/12**

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010.047 CRIS0073656  
ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVE VIRGINIA COASTAL WETLANDS POLICY

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Proj. No.: VA-0612325 Project Type: EATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 04 OCT 77 To 30 JAN 80

**OBJECTIVES:** The current market situation of wetlands, determine motivations of owners of wetlands, identify the current and future services provided by wetlands, develop a framework for determining trade-off values between wetland services and estimate the values identified, and analyze existing and possible public policies.



**APPROACH:** Two or three Virginia counties will be selected. Necessary market and use information will be obtained from tax and deed records, personnel interviews and surveys. Technical data will be obtained from secondary data sources and will provide the data necessary for economic analyses.

**PROGRESS:** 79/01 TO 79/12. This project, which has as an objective the economic analysis of alternative management strategies for marine wetlands has resulted in first, a critique of previous attempts to provide economic values of natural coastal marine wetlands. Also, the current market situation with respect to Virginia wetlands has been identified by analyzing present ownership patterns, identifying present wetland use, and determining the value of past market sales. Present owners of wetlands have been surveyed as to their motivation for ownership of wetlands and their expectations of future wetlands exchange values and future use. A framework has been developed for determining the tradeoff values between the various services provided by wetlands. Economic values have been estimated for coastal wetlands services as (a) inputs in oyster production (b) inputs into residential housing in Virginia Beach, Virginia, (c) inputs into recreational lots in Accomack County, Virginia, (d) inputs in erosion control, and (e) inputs in nonpoint pollution control. Alternative management strategies investigated include the current system of permitting, zoning, tax and subsidy programs, and transferable development rights.

**PUBLICATIONS: 79/01 TO 79/12**

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010.048 CRIS0065833  
**CHARACTERISTICS, PREFERENCES, AND ATTITUDES  
CONCERNING PRIVATE FEE-FISHING OPERATIONS**

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Proj. No.: VA-0613234 Project Type: HATCH  
Agency ID: CSRS Period: 01 JUL 74 To 31 OCT 79

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine selected demographic and other characteristics of anglers on selected fee-fishing operations in Virginia, determine and rank important factors affecting the perceived quality of a fishing experience on selected fee-fishing operations in Virginia, develop methodology for predicting man-days of use accruing to selected fee-fishing operations in Virginia. Test the above methodology as to its utility as a predictive tool.

**APPROACH:** Survey questionnaire to selected fee-fishing operations in Virginia. Regression analysis, linear programming, or simulation for developing predictive methodology, Validation through additional survey work.

**PROGRESS:** 74/07 TO 79/10. Research and survey resulted in publications which will aid the fee-fishing operator in establishing an economically viable operation through use of a formal planning process and adoption of sound management objectives and techniques. Procedures for economic and biological feasibility studies of proposed fish culture operations were described and used to evaluate commercial catfish culture and stocking stripped bass in fee-fishing ponds. Both are impractical in Virginia because of the short growing season (catfish) and poor survival and catchability (stripped bass). Three strains of channel catfish for fee-fishing pond stocking programs (Wild Lake Erie and Ohio River, and pond-reared Alabama) were

evaluated. Wild Lake Erie fish out-performed Wild Ohio River and pond-reared Alabama catfish. Pond stocking programs were described and commercial fish sources identified. Surveys of fee-fishermen preferences indicated they place higher value on environmental quality, manager attitude and companionship than on catch in the fee-fishing experience. Commercial aquaculture enterprises in Virginia were surveyed. Existing commercial operations are small but well established and profitable. Developing mariculture and fee-fishing establishments have the highest potential for expanding aquaculture in Virginia.

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**ECONOMIC PROFILE & REGIONAL ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE  
ALASKA SHELLFISH INDUSTRY**

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Proj. No.: WNP00436 Project Type: STATE  
Agency ID: SAES Period: 01 OCT 78 To 30 SEP 80

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine the economic linkages (purchases and sales) between harvesters of Alaska shellfish and other sectors of the Alaska, Washington and Oregon state economies. Determine the economic linkages (purchases and sales) between the processors of Alaska shell fish and other sectors of the Alaska, Washington and Oregon economies. Incorporate the sectors primarily connected to the shellfish fishery into revised state economic input/output models and estimate economic impacts of potential permanent changes in the amount of fishing stocks available to the industry.

**APPROACH:** Available data on costs will be supplemented with data on expenditure patterns obtained by interviews with individual fishermen and by meeting with representative groups. Expenditure data will be used to form new detailed shellfish sectors for Alaska and Washington I/O models. Effects of fishery development and management policies will be traced through to calculate economic impacts.

**PROGRESS:** 78/09 TO 80/09. Data on shellfish harvesting costs, obtained from a previous study, were revised and recategorized by input supplying industry, as well as by subfleet and fishery being harvested. These data were inserted in an updated Alaska-Washington interregional (interstate) input/output model. Estimates of impacts throughout the Alaska-Washington economy that would follow from changes in the shellfish industries' deliveries to final demand varied only slightly. However, the share gained by Alaska households ranged from 0.44 for Alaska-based crab harvesters to 0.03 for Washington-based crab vessels. Washington always realizes considerable gain from expansion of Alaska shellfish harvesting, even if the harvests are carried out by Alaska-based vessels and the catch is processed through Alaska-based plants.

**PUBLICATIONS: 78/09 TO 80/09**  
NO PUBLICATIONS REPORTED FINAL REPORT PERIOD.

**REGULATION OF WISCONSIN'S LAKE MICHIGAN COMMERCIAL FISHERIES**

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Proj. No.: WIS02278

Project Type: STATE

Agency ID: SAES

Period: 01 JUL 76 to 31 AUG 78

**OBJECTIVES:** Phase I (1975-6) - Formulate an issue-oriented overview of Wisconsin Great Lakes Commercial Fisheries. Phase II (1976-7) - Complete a data base on Wisconsin's Great Lakes commercial fishermen which can be used to analyze the potential impacts of alternative forms of fishery regulation. Emphasis is placed on effects of fishery regulation on the fishing industry, consumers and society as a whole.

**APPROACH:** Phase I - Develop a socio-economic profile of Wisconsin's commercial fishermen from primary and secondary sources. Phase II - Use profile data base to investigate impacts from PCB contamination, forms of limited entry and other types of fishery regulation.

**PROGRESS:** 75/09 TO 78/08. The first step in the project was to clearly identify the conceptual framework to guide the study. Using welfare theory we concluded that the role of the economist should be to identify major potential impacts of alternative policies on consumers, commercial fishers, sports fishers, and others. Although some attention was given to consumers and recreationists, the most complex impacts of commercial fishery regulation fall on the commercial fishers and most of our work focused on this group. Two major data sources were utilized. One was records of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, which contain much detailed information on individual fishing operations. These data were organized and analyzed for publication. They also provided a basis for developing a stratified sample of nearly 100 commercial fishermen of Wisconsin's Lake Michigan. A total of 93 personal interviews were completed covering a wide range of topics including fishing history, costs, attitudes concerning current policy issues, the economic effects of fishery regulations, job mobility, and other socio-economic aspects of commercial fishing. Results of the study are being made available to public decision makers in published form and on a personal basis. In addition, previously unavailable information on the fisheries and Wisconsin's experiences in fisheries management are now available to a broad audience of citizens, other economists, and fishery scientists through project publications.

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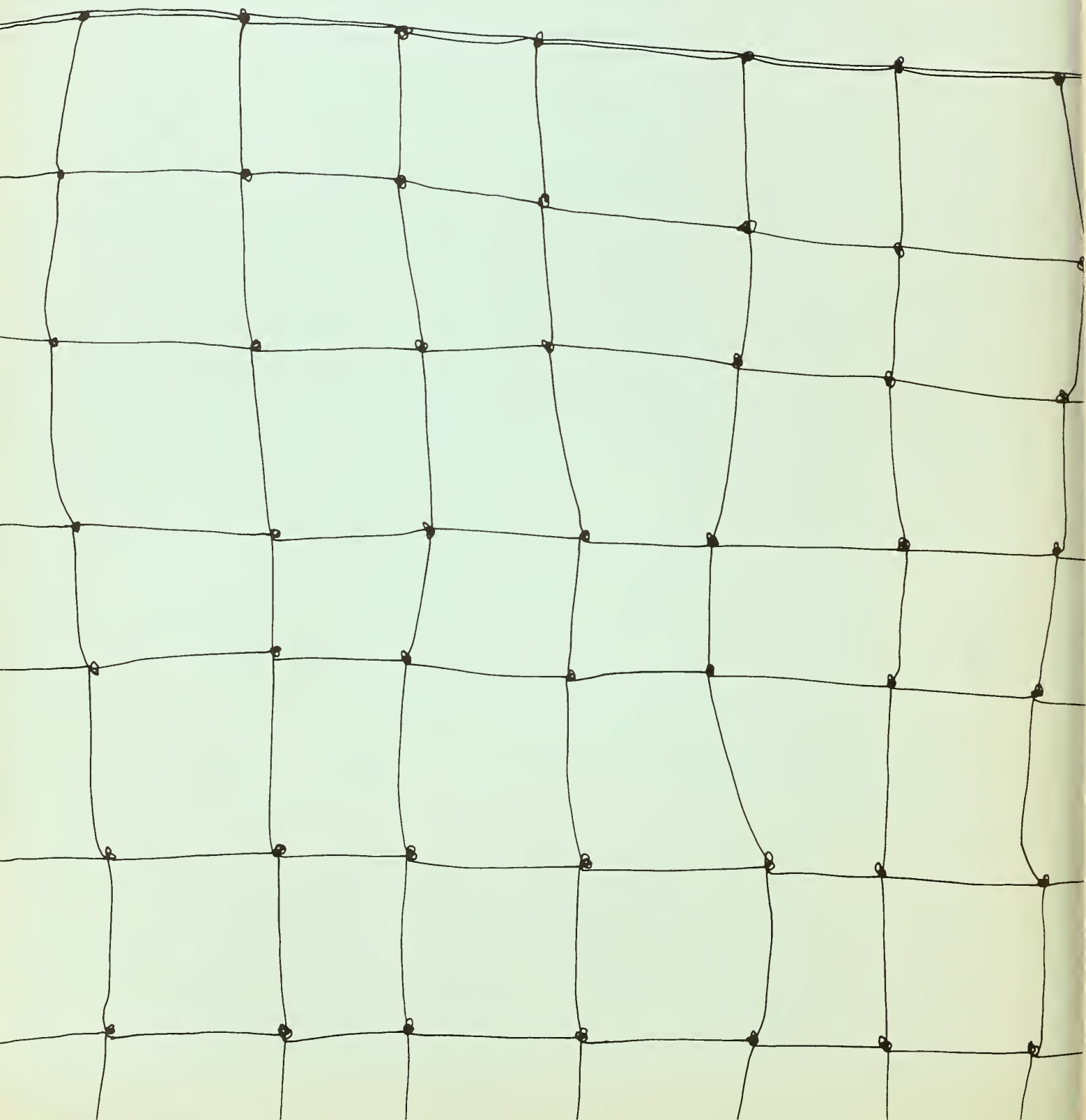
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